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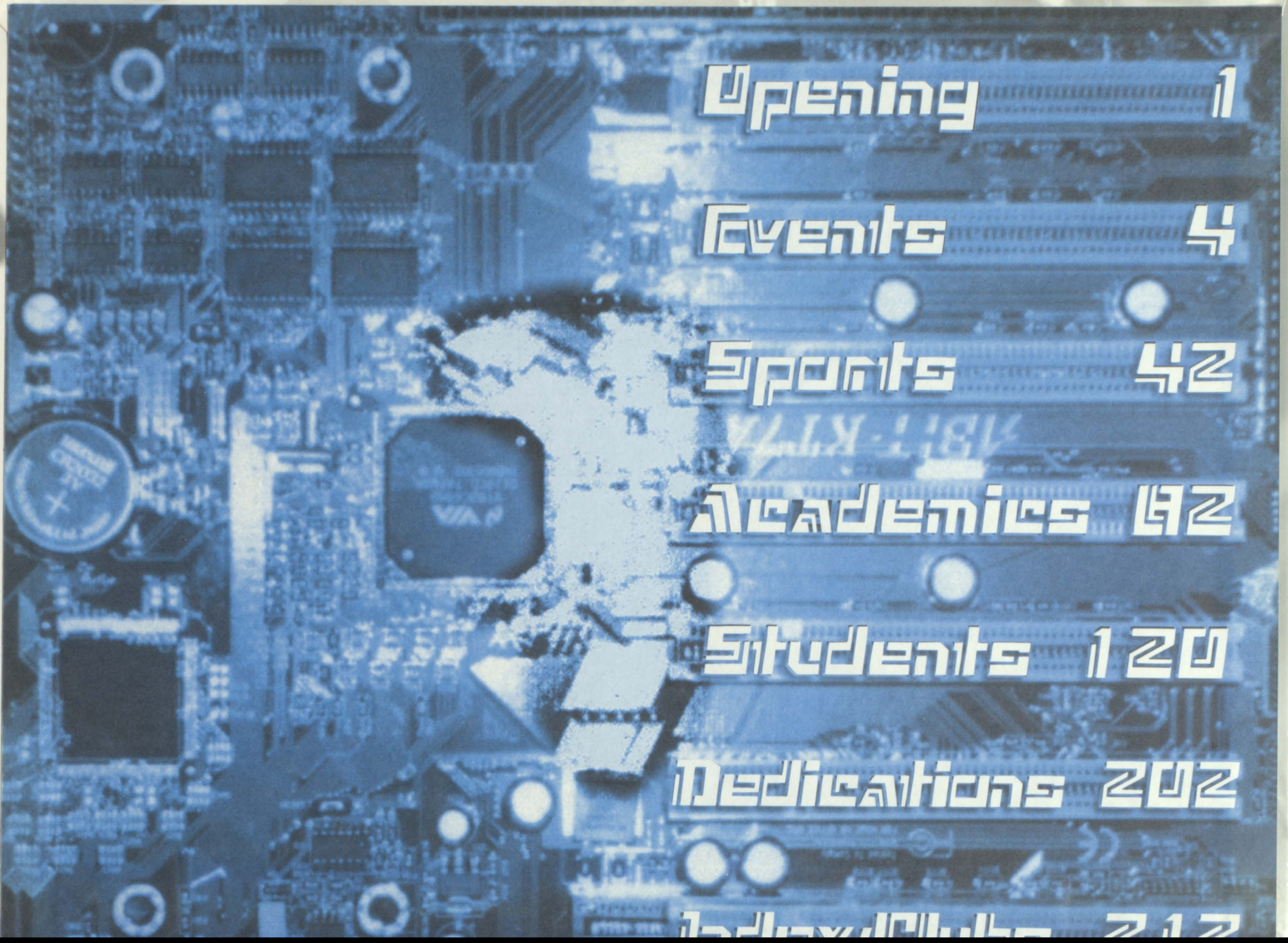

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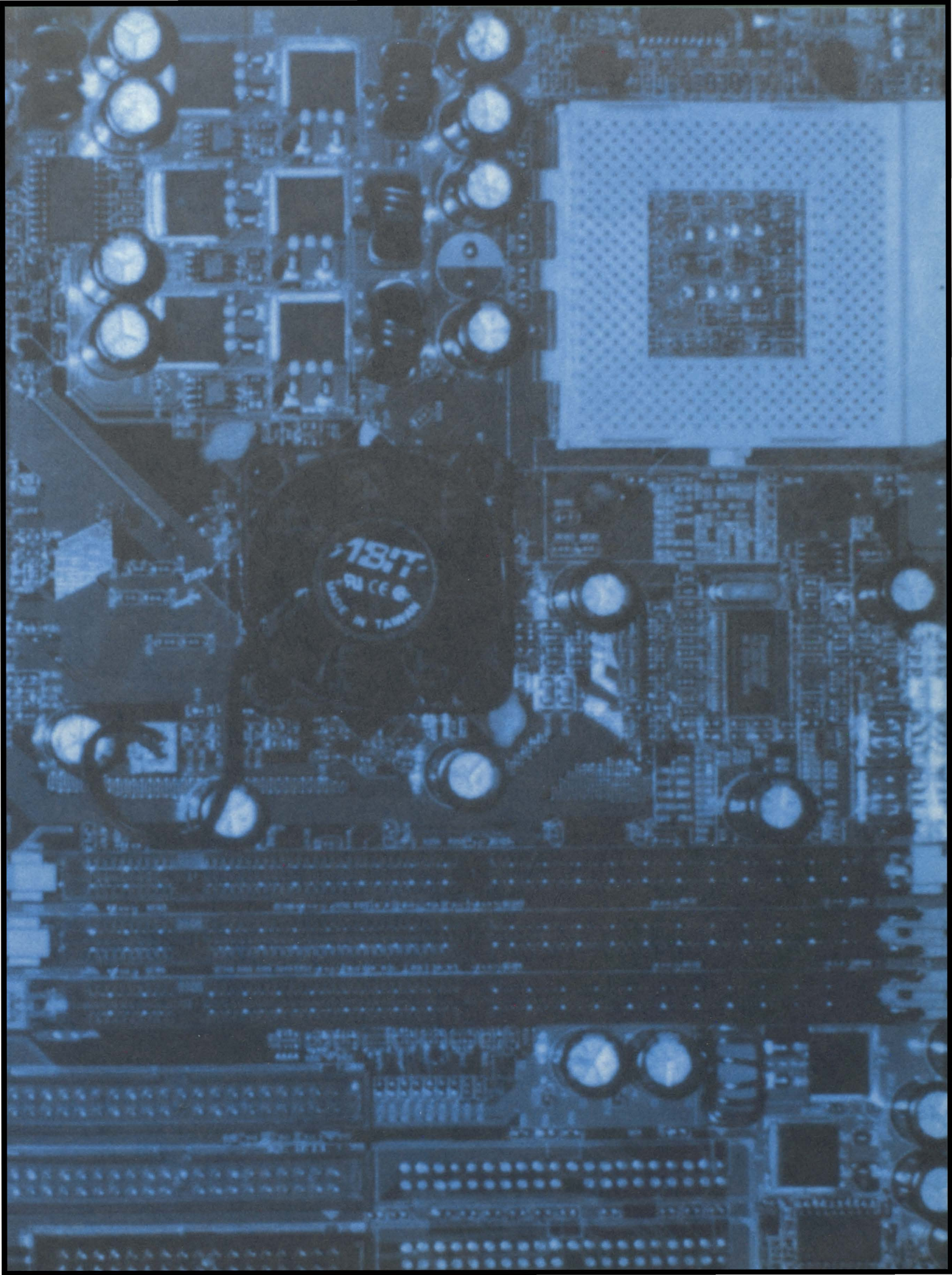
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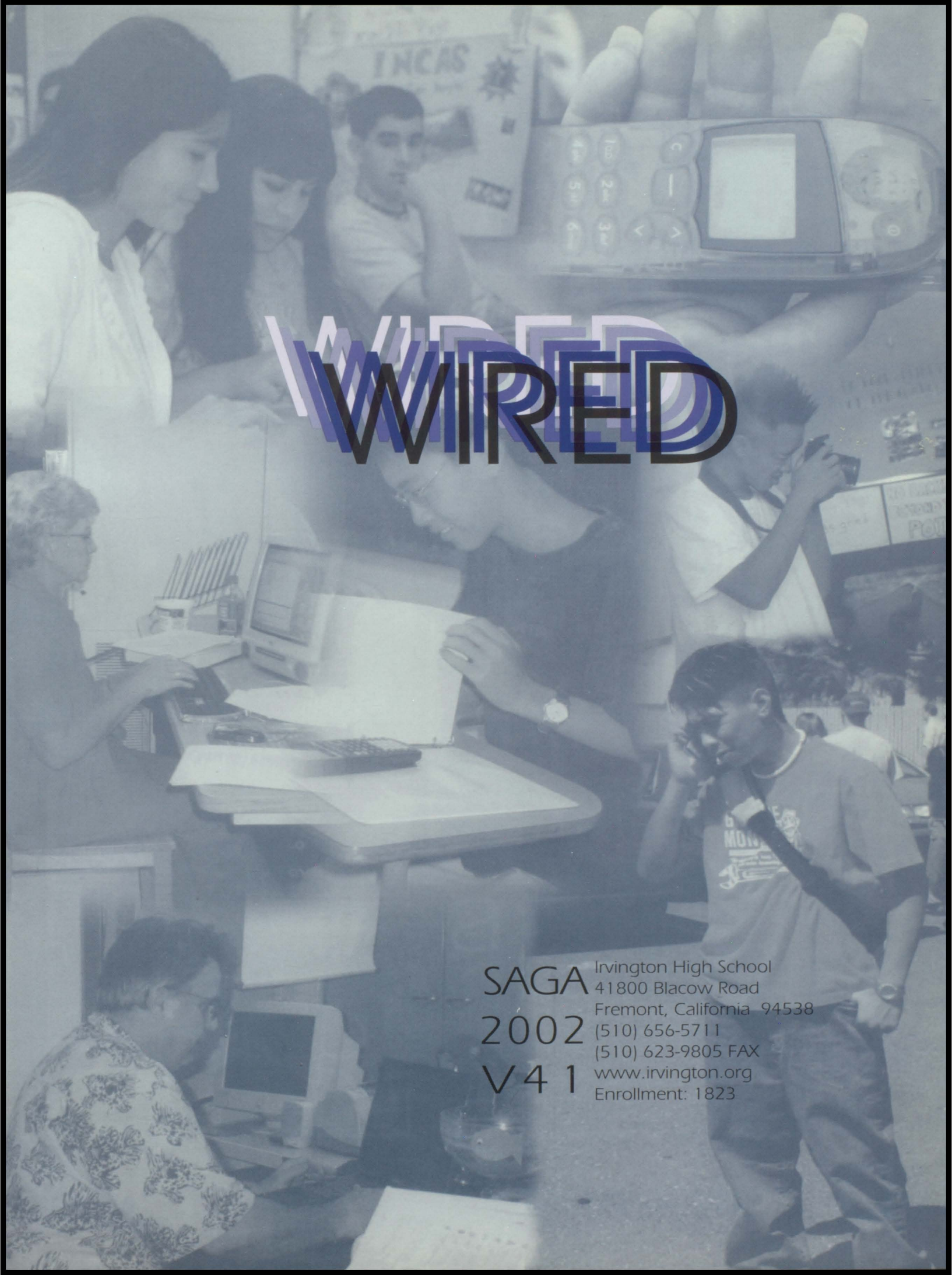

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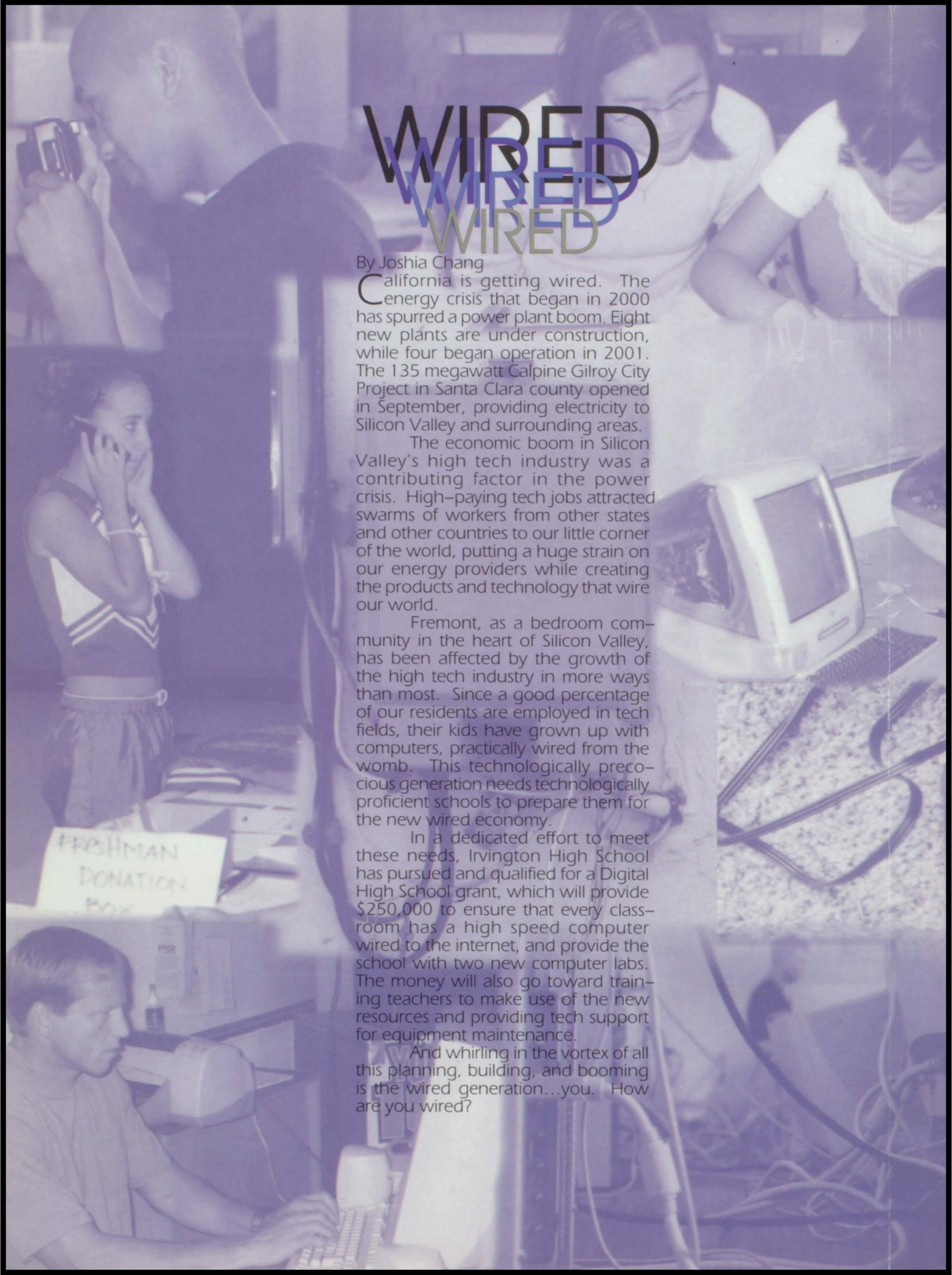

WIRED

By Joshia Chang

California is getting wired. The energy crisis that began in 2000 has spurred a power plant boom. Eight new plants are under construction, while four began operation in 2001. The 135 megawatt Calpine Gilroy City Project in Santa Clara county opened in September, providing electricity to Silicon Valley and surrounding areas.

The economic boom in Silicon Valley's high tech industry was a contributing factor in the power crisis. High-paying tech jobs attracted swarms of workers from other states and other countries to our little corner of the world, putting a huge strain on our energy providers while creating the products and technology that wire our world.

Fremont, as a bedroom community in the heart of Silicon Valley, has been affected by the growth of the high tech industry in more ways than most. Since a good percentage of our residents are employed in tech fields, their kids have grown up with computers, practically wired from the womb. This technologically precocious generation needs technologically proficient schools to prepare them for the new wired economy.

In a dedicated effort to meet these needs, Irvington High School has pursued and qualified for a Digital High School grant, which will provide $250,000 to ensure that every classroom has a high speed computer wired to the internet, and provide the school with two new computer labs. The money will also go toward training teachers to make use of the new resources and providing tech support for equipment maintenance.

And whirling in the vortex of all this planning, building, and booming is the wired generation...you. How are you wired?

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EVENTS

By Mariella Ruezga

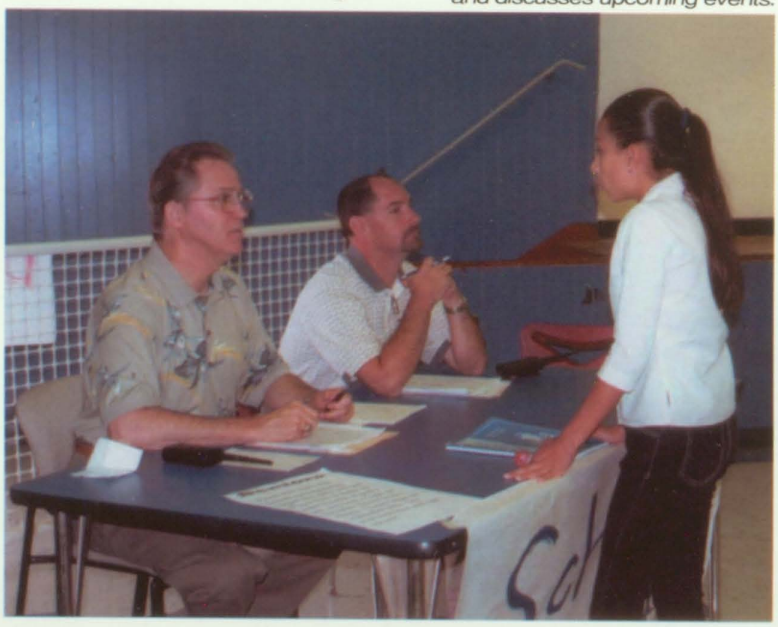
To start off the 2001-2002 school year, students prepare for Spirit Week and try to win first place in all the activities.

Spirit Week marks the beginning of a new and exciting year. Sporting events give Viking students a good opportunity to unite and show off their school pride. Supporting our team players enhances their ability to do better and hopefully win their games.

School dances are held throughout the year with the help of ASB and other organizations. Bringing everybody together on the dance floor is another way to provide fun and long lasting memories. For seniors especially, events are an important part of their last year of being high school students. The memories of being in high school and the events that have taken place cannot be replaced with anything else, it's a once in lifetime experience.

With Our Condolences

Margarita Guzman finds her way over to the crisis center, where Vice Principal Dave Howell and Assistant Principal Greg Bailey discuss her schedule changes.



Having a quick conversation with the school mascot, Lilace Ronolo takes a break from socializing with students and discusses upcoming events.

Debbie Santiago, Johanna Perrie and Saira Guinonez wait in the endless line to enter the cafeteria.

ASB members Laura Clay and Marilia Maschion discuss upcoming activities that will take place throughout the year.

A NEW BEGINNING

Pumping up the crowd at maze day, ASB member Enny Van has the mike in control and pumps up the spirit in waiting students.

After neatly filing the papers in alphabetical order, Freshman intern Justin Wang can't wait to take his break and eat his bagel.

By Mariella Ruezga

The school year has once again come around for learning and hanging out with friends. Irvington students come back to school from three months of relaxation with their new styles. Maze day was held for three days on the 27th, 28th, and the 29th of August. The 27th was held for freshmen, the 28th was held for sophmores and the 29th was for the juniors and seniors.

Being on campus for the very first time was very exciting for freshman Mohammed Shariff. "This is the first Maze day I've been to and I didn't know they got this crowded," he said. Also, Maze day was a good opportunity to see all of his friends from junior high since he hasn't seen them all summer. The majority of freshman are thrilled to experience a different atmosphere in high school but at the same time they're frightened because of a different environment.

Anxiously, but patiently, everybody goes through the line to receive their class schedules. Once students received their schedules, they immeditaly compared their classes with their friends to see if they were together. The unfortunate ones with problem schedules visited the crisis center that was set up by Mr. Howell and Mr. Bailey in the cafeteria.

Before you know it, it's the fifth of September and you're hesitating to get up, wishing it was still summer. Once you're up, you rush to get ready and out the door. The bell rings promptly at 8:05 a.m., marking the start of the first day of school. Some students run in from the parking lot and others already in their seats, eager to learn and happy to be back. The day was filled with smiles. Hugs were exchanged between friends who haven't seen each other since the last day of school. Teachers greeted students happily, while laying down the ground rules.

Classes were interesting and everybody couldn't help the fact that they were happy to be back.

The marching band leaves the gym in perfect formation after their outstanding performance. Led by drum major Vince Gatdula, these merry musicians are looking especially dapper in their new uniforms.

RAISE THE ROOF

By Shan Howerton

"Hello, Hello and we hope you enjoy this afternoon's event!" the members of Irvington's ASB shouted as they stormed through the gym, throwing candy at the eager crowd. Of course, the students literally ate it up. It's a good thing they put the wrappers in the trash can.

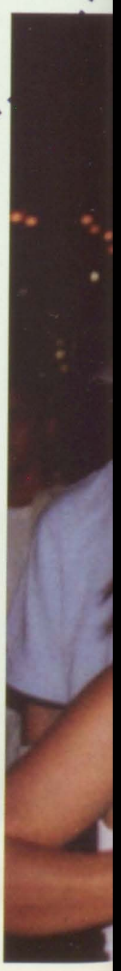
Rally Commissioner Brian Loewswick really knows how to rile up an audience. Timmy Carbouole danced a funky pop. The all-new gymnastics team showed their stuff and Vince Gatdula put on a baton twirling demonstration that thrilled the crowd. Cheerleaders and the marching band impressed everyone with their precisely choreographed routines. "It seemed to have everything," said Jason Hale.

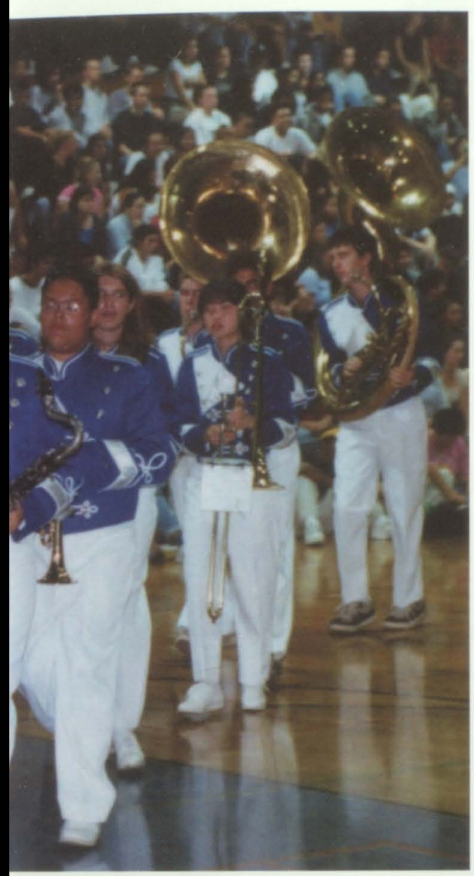
New teachers were introduced, and subjected to the usual hazing. Ms. Luann Brazill's 6th period class won the traditional ice cream party, which they enjoyed late in October. What else could you ask for?

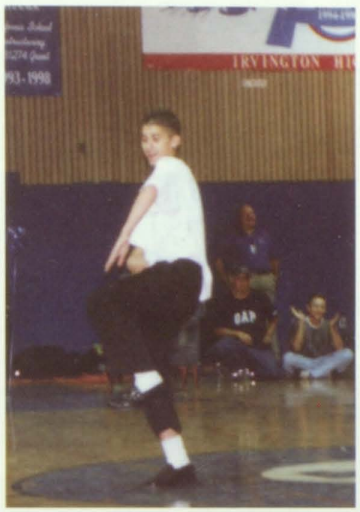
If the Hello Rally sets the tone for the year, then 2001-2002 got off to a spectacular start.

After the September 11th attacks, American flags sprouted up everywhere. Unfortunately, this patriotic gesture was soon subverted by some thoughtless people who stole flags from other people's homes and cars for kicks.

Leah Skillern and Sara Falk, decked out in skin-tight leopard skin, wait for more members of their safariesque party to join them before heading into the gym. The first dance of the year is a chance to make an impression, something these girls clearly know how to do.







Irene Yuen writes a note of appreciation to the firefighters and cops in N.Y. after the WTC disaster. Although we're an entire continent away, Irvingtonians felt compelled to send a show of support to the victims of the horrible tragedy.

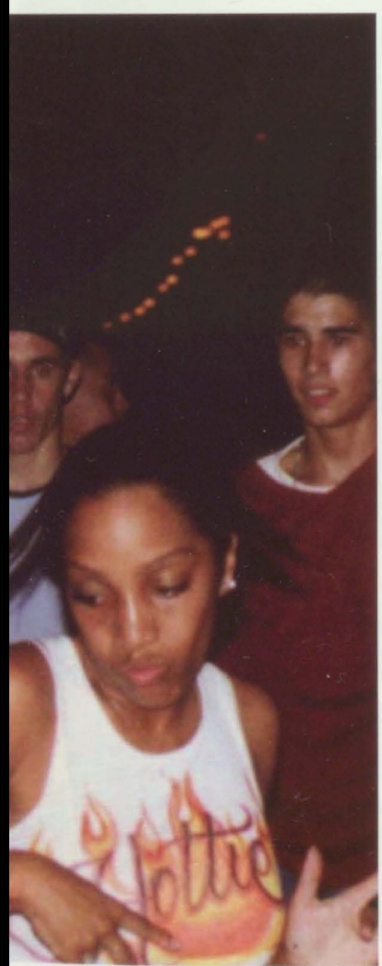
As the first act, Timmy Caraballo doesn't get a chance to get butterflies as he pops his way across the gym. Characterized by jerky, robotic movements, "popping" has become all the rage amongst the neo-suburban funk crowd.

The members of ASB stand in silent respect as the national anthem is sung by Marilia Maschion. In light of recent events, patriotism has surged to unexpected heights.

By Shan Howerton

Irvington students boogied the night away at the first party of the school year on Friday, September 21, 2001. Jigging their way across the dance floor, students bounced to the beat. This dance was free for anyone who bought an ASB sticker. Those stickers were a great bargain this year—only ten bucks—with most of the value returning to the students. That made it almost free. Students were most entertained by a remix of dance music that was played. Student Fanny Koloko-Green commented, "Yeah, old music, great remix." ASB officers in attendance made of point of mingling with all the new students.

Due to the tragic bombing of the World Trade Centers and the Pentagon on September 11, just ten days before, the dance provided some needed relief for the tension felt throughout the country. The Hello Dance had been previously scheduled for Friday, September 14, but was rescheduled for September 21 because of the national tragedy. Several other school events, such as football games, were also been postponed.



Angela Cash, Jenny Whealen, Shasha Obukhovskaya, Sarah Quilloe and Leah Mosgrove dance the night away. For friends who haven't seen much of each other during the summer, the Hello Dance is a chance to catch up and get down.

With her funky moves, Macodia Quintana effortlessly holds an audience's attention. Working up a sweat in the gym, then cooling off in the courtyard was the perfect way to spend a warm Friday night.

VERY TODAY

By Susanna Tuan

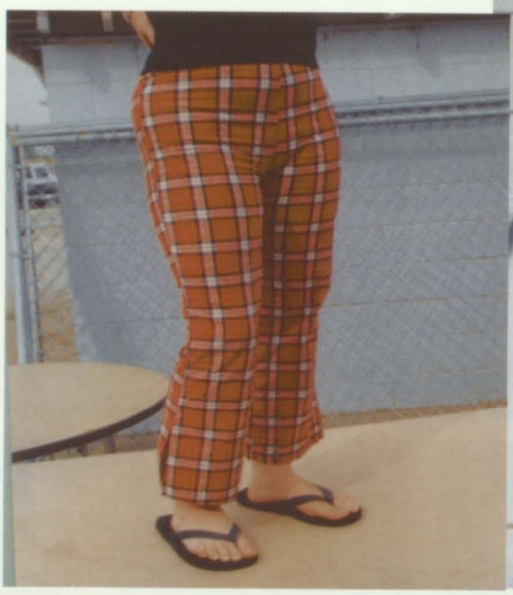
Diversity is one of the many qualities of Irvington High School. Our school holds a variety of talents and characteristics which unite and create a diverse and healthy community for the students and staff. From racial diversity to the different tastes in music, there is not one way to describe our student body. Yet another way in which our school is diverse is the fashion trends the students choose to display.

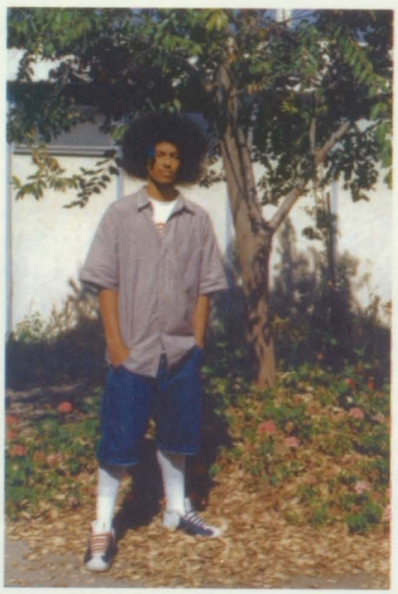
Here at Irvington you can find a wide variety of trends and fashions. From the punk rock skaters to the all American preppies, there is no end to the variation in styles of clothing which the students exhibit.

To enhance the different genres of clothing, the students also strut numerous accessories which are fun and creative. From the rectangular cat eyed glasses to the dazzling body piercing, there is no end to the different images the Irvington students project.

Summer Sandles, $24; Plaid Capris, $40; Ankle Pants, $35; Ecklo Sweatshirt, $55; Nike Shoes, $130

Junior heartthrobs Jarrod Fiance and Jarrod Fullerton sport their skater gear. Their colorful shirts really accentuate their exquisite personalities.





Jayson Rose shows off his unique and attractive afro. He even has a comb to complete the retro image.

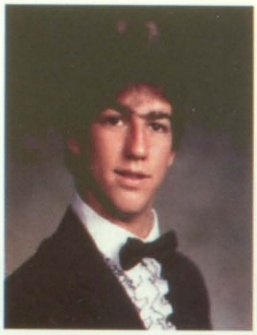
Rich Cardadero and Anthony Novello sport their stunning Irvtown gear. What a couple of studly jocks!

Twins separated at birth, Olivia Rodriguez and Rachel Hillman pose with their matching glasses and striped sweaters. They may not be blood related but their sense of style is sure alike.

Aliyah Wong struts a very fasionable sweater duster as she glides past the P-wing portables one sunny morning.

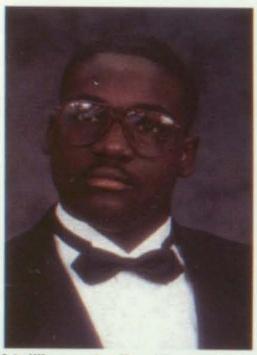
Lit Leong is one of many students with loop earrings. This added accessory really brings out his best features.

William Flores gazes casually into the distance with his sean jean shirt (also a trendy brand) and a white undershirt.

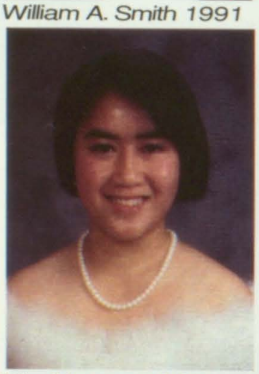


Robert Spain 1986

Suzanne Eicher 1988



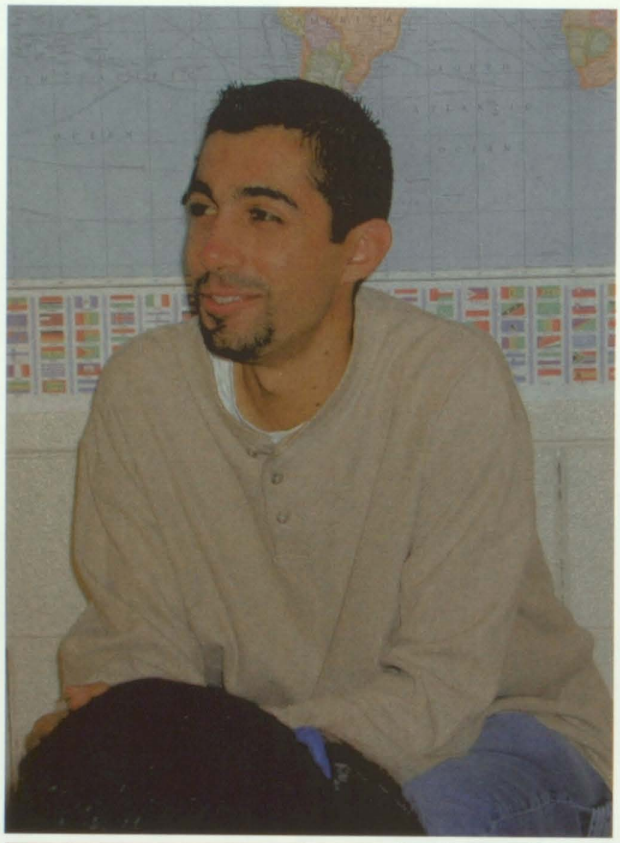
William A. Smith 1991



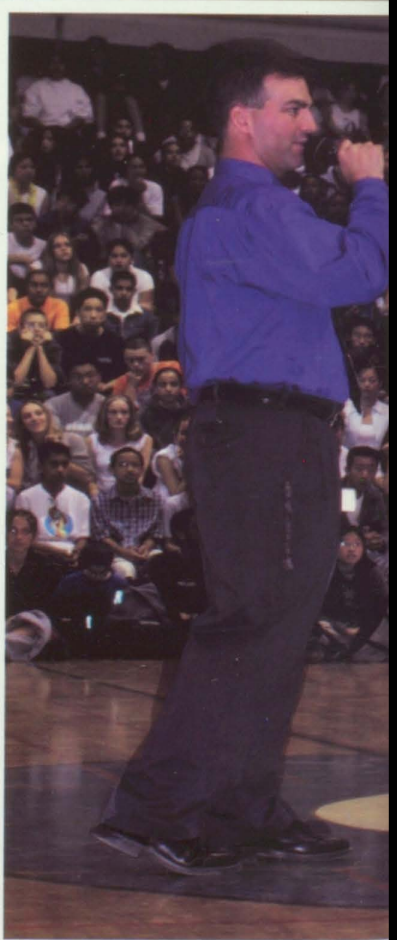
Kim Nguyen 1992

Donald Azevada 1995

"Do the Azevada..." Mr. Azevada cheerfully flaunts his musical talent during his sixth period history class.



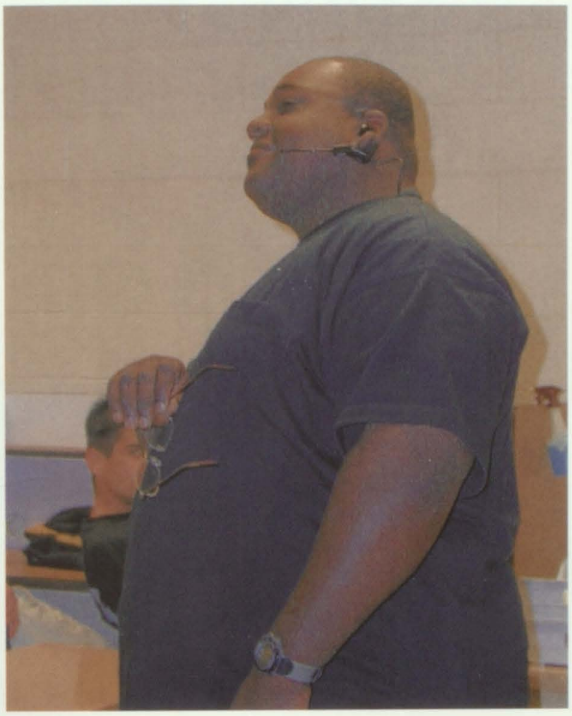
Ms. Eicher cheerfully congratulates her class on getting such good grades on their test. Just because the first rays of summer are coming and it's the last period of the day, doesn't mean they can't concentrate and succeed.



Mr. Spain proudly introduces this year's varsity football players at the homecoming rally. Good job boys! We played well this year.

Ms. Nguyen shows off her hot slinky handling skills to her sixth period chemistry class. With a cool teacher like that, even chemistry can be fun.

Alex Smith, campus supervisor, regulates in the RC. Even though it is sixth period, he doesn't slack becasue he wants to be a good role model for the students.



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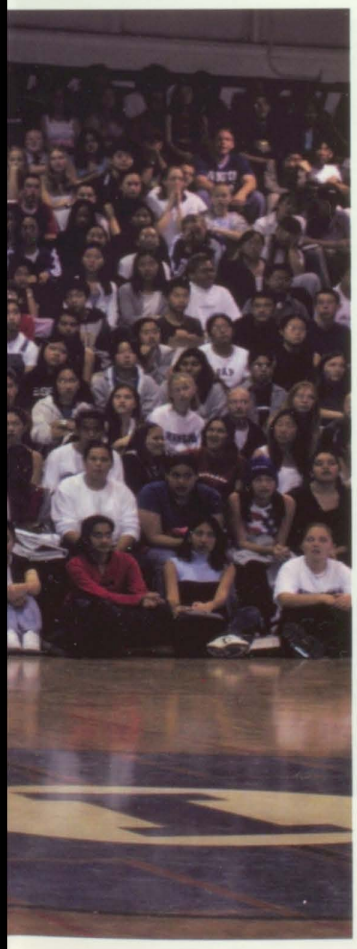


By Susanna Tuan

A long, long time ago, in a high school not too far away, a handful of our current teachers and staff were students in the same very high school they work at today. Mr. Spain, class of 1986, Ms. Eicher, class of 1988, Alex Smith, campus security, class of 1991, Ms. Nyugen, class of 1991 and Mr. Azevada, class of 1995 are each alumni teachers or staff; they all attended Irvington High School as students many years ago... well not that many.

Irvington has changed in a number of ways since they were students. Today, our campus is much more technologically advanced; we are now a digital high school. The gym has received a fresh new paint job, today the school is more racially diverse and less traditional. However some things never change. The friendly and welcoming atmosphere has always, and will always be found here at Irvington High School.

Of course, it is a little different working at the high school you grew up in. Mr. Spain, currently the varsity football coach, jokingly comments that, "Working with Fern is like working with sand paper." Mr. Spain, you have such a unique sense of humor... Ms. Nyugen (Science), also talks about the experience of vacationing with her junior year chemistry teacher Mr. Kawamura. What an experience of a lifetime.

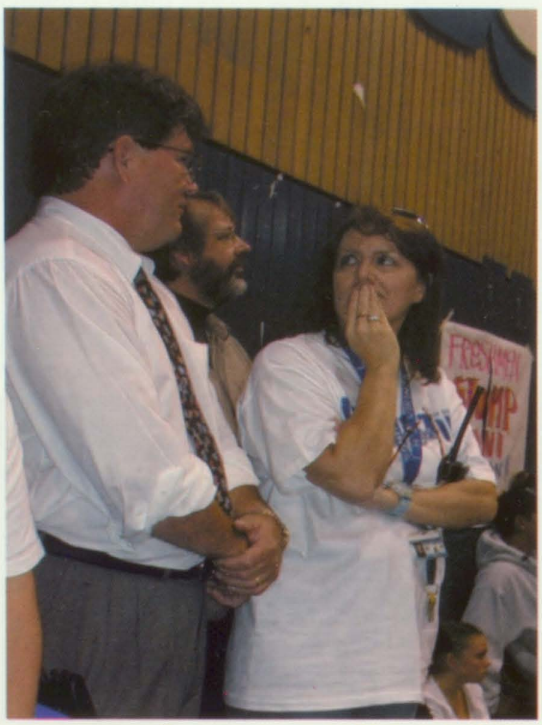
HOMECOMING '01

By Anita Subrahmanyam

We showed American who rules the field Homecoming this year. The Vikings started off a little rocky, but they vowed not to let the pressure get to them. With the Varsity final score of 32-26, Irvington kicked some serious American butt. The close game kept the fans in the stand anxious for a quick defeat. At half time, the homecoming court came out in convertibles to say hi to the crowd. This years Homecoming court consisted of Danielle Hitchcock, Marilia Maschion, Erica Jhinnu, Grace Shaw, Staci Lopes, Cory Smith, Gerstein Padua, Anthony Novello, Frankie Becerra, Miguel Sandoval. The winners of Homecoming King and Queen, who were announced the night before at the dance, were Gerstein Padua and Grace Shaw.

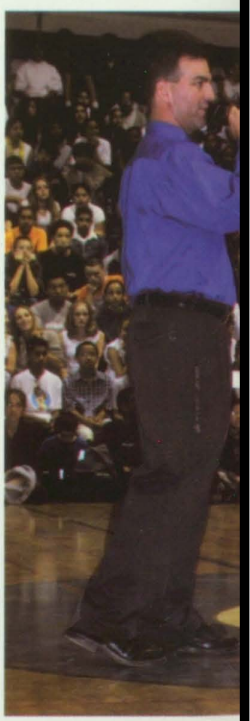
The rally on Friday kicked off with the national anthem sung by BLANK. Then Lilace Ronolo recited a poem in honor of senior Eric Fajardo, who had died tragically the week before. A red carpet was rolled out to welcome the Homecoming Court of 2001, who walked in two-by-two to a cheering crowd.

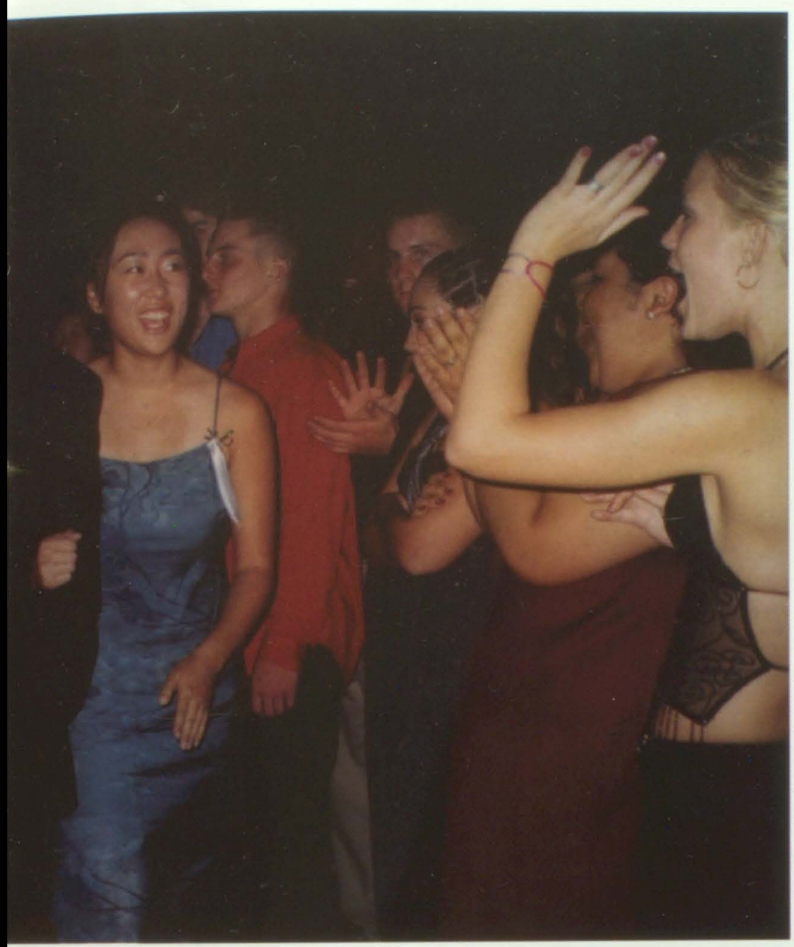
The fall sports teams each had two members present on the floor. Each team had to find the other representative on the floor by making animal calls. One person from each class went down and had to see how many marshmallows they could stuff in their mouth while being able to say "Chubby Bunny". The seniors won that game with juniors in second. The end of homecoming week was signaled with Ms.Myers making announcements of the dance.



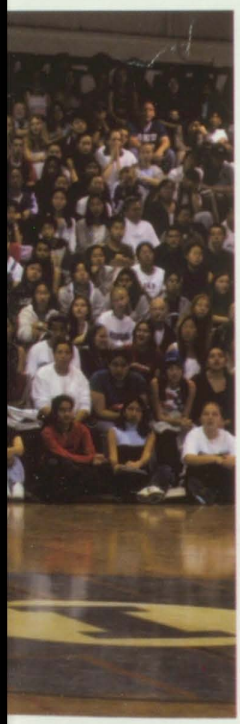
Everyone seems to be proud of Irvington High's undefeated varsity football team. Mr. Murchison and Ms. Martens discuss the teams recent success at the Homecoming Rally.

Galina Melamed andJennifer Hopkins get down at the Homecoming dance. The dance was a great place to have fun and get together with friends.





Grace Shaw and Gerstein Padua enter the Homecoming Dance with style and hear their names called from all directions. Later on that night they were announced by ASB as the Homecoming King and Queen of 2001.



Danielle Hitchcock, Marilia Maschion, Erica Jhinnu, Grace Shaw, Staci Lopes, the nomines for Homecoming Queen, relax after walking into the rally two by two. The five girls watch the rally wondering who will be chosen for queen.

Homecoming King is a big title. The five Homecoming nomines, Cory Smith, Gerstein Padua, Anthony Novello, Frankie Becerra, Miguel Sandoval wait patiently and anticipate what name called for King later on that day at the dance.

The JV cheerleaders pump up the crowd at the Homecomign game at TAK stadium. They wait with their pom-poms behind their back for their signal to start.

At the homecoming game the varsity football team kneel before the begining of the game. They won once again, with the score, Irvington- 32, American-26.
Varsity Football Coach and IHS Alumnus (C/O 1986) Bobby Spain revs up the crowd before introducing his players. This has been a phenomenal year for Viking football, thanks in part to Mr. Spain's hard work and dedication.

Class

By Rachel Hillman and Anita Subrahmanyam

Homecoming 2001 was a total success. The juniors kicked off the excitement by showing their Jack Frost spirit during their skit and dance. Their skit had a "Grinch" theme, with the Grinch stealing the homecoming football. They danced to "Back and Forth" by Aaliyah. Later on Monday, in the courtyard, the seniors won the relay race, with sophomores close in second.

The following day, the sophomores strutted their stuff dancing to Craig David's "Summer Jam", followed by a first place win in the courtyard cheering. With their Sizzling Sophomores theme, the Class of '04 took second Triple Crown by the end of the week.

On Wednesday, the freshmen expressed their Irvington pride with an elaborate dance and coordination skills as they did a praiseworthy step dance, proving to the rest of the school that freshmen can have as much spirit as seniors. During the bucket brigade in the courtyard, the seniors won yet another game, with the sophomores in second place.

Finally the seniors got to show the school what the Class of 2002 was all about. Their skit started off with a message from Agent 002, saying that it was up to them to save the world. The seniors danced to "Inspector Gadget", "Pop", "Independent Women", and many other fun and energetic songs. They played Red Light, Green Light against "American" students, and, of course, Irvington came out on top. Many of the seniors dedicated their performance to their friend and fellow senior, Eric Fajardo, who had passed away the previous weekend. During the Tug of War game, the seniors, once again, won first place, with juniors taking second. They dominated the final scores, with a triple gold crown.

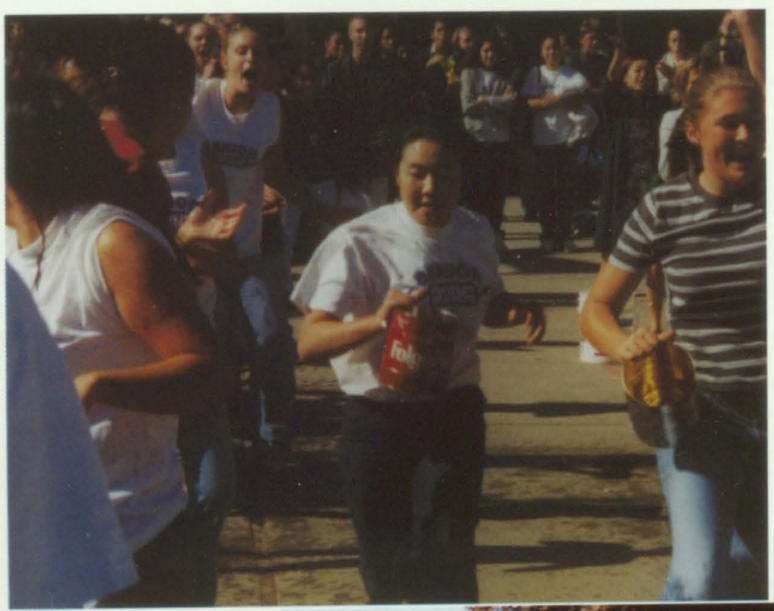
The freshman tug-of-war team pull hard and strong to pull down the seniors. Unfourtunatly the seniors won but the in the second round the freshman managed to beat the sophomores and won 3rd place in the tug-of-war.

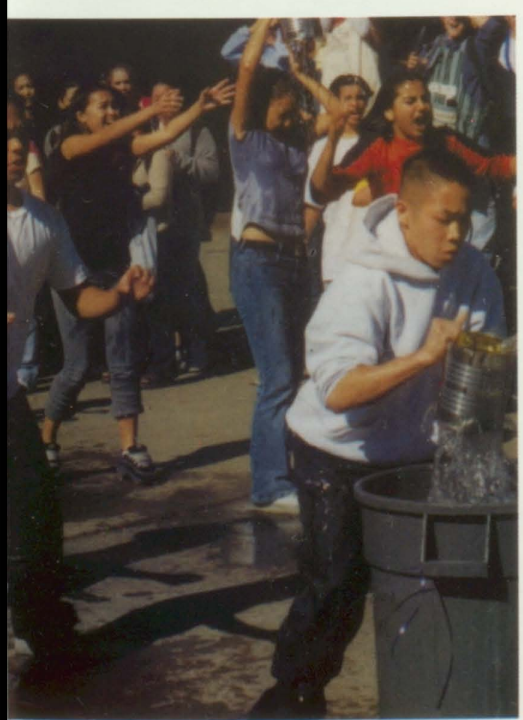
Ryan Wong and Will Miranda run as fast as they can, carrying Enny Van, to finish the race before the sophomores. Thanks to Will and Ryan's strength they beat the sophomores.

Struggle

Matt Kesch stuffs his face with chocolate pudding, trying to find a gummy worm. Once he finds the worm, the next racer can start.

Irene Yuen and Candace Schrodtzki run back to the begining of the line to pss the pucket the the next person. The bucket brigade was by far the most challenging of the games.





Andy Tran dips the bucket full of holes in the water to pass it on the his fellow team member, Chris Alejandro. Next in line Derek Hallet awaits to try and pass the bucket over his head without lettin too much water fall out.

Matt Newman and Daniel Oden carry Corey Fujioka as they run to finish the race. Despite their hard efforts they came in last in the race.

Wildlife meets Witcher afr

By Galina Melamed

"Once there were four children. Lucy, Peter, Susan and Edmund." The play has begun, a mystical adventure through an imaginary world. The tale of the children's adventures in Narnia is no more exciting and wondrous than the tale of how this production made it to Valhalla's stage.

It all started when the rumors about "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" were flying around campus. At auditions, certain chosen ones become actors as they are selected for roles in the play. They rehearse their blocking, memorize their lines, and run through endless practices until finally, the costumes arrive. Then, actors are not just actors anymore, they become elves, wolves, witches. In the makeup room they transform further, into wood nymphs, dears, mice and other habitants of Narnia.

Behind the scenes, techs do their part, designing and building sets, working out the lighting and sound and other production issues. They don't get a lot of glory, but they do get a lot of satisfaction from their jobs.

Finally, sets, lights and sound are fit together with the action on stage and it's magic! The show comes alive!

From the opening Monday matinee to closing night's multiple standing ovations, each show is a heartstopping drama for audiences and cast and crew alike. Every performance raises the question, "Will they like it?" Each scene change is a potential disaster. But everything goes smoothly, and the audience reacts positively to the performance. Every show receives a loud ovation from the appreciative crowd, and the cast and crew breathe a sigh of relief as they get yet another performance under their belt.

The last show ends with loud applause and then comes closing ceremonies, where individuals are recognized for their efforts. It's the moment we all realize how close we became while putting on this play, how much we are all going to miss the long hours of working and rehearsing and simply being together. Most of all, we'll miss performing and entertaining an audience, because in the end, that's what it is all about.

Fernis Ulf(Nicholaus Guerrero) astounds the audience at the nights show. Most people agree that nicholus played his best for each show.

Nicole Price(left), Jeremy Cuningham(left), Irene Yuen(right), Ryan Silveira(right) gaze at the audience. They enjoy there crowns while they last.

Below- Sarah Aronson(left), Olivia Rodriguez(middle), Jamie Shannon(right), scowl as they perform with the witch. Above- Ariel Schwitalla(left), Shannon Haslinger(middle), Ryan Miller(right) are surely tired from an incredible performance.

Kristin Powell(left), Sarah Castelhand(left), Galina Melamed(right), Briana Romero(right), perform there rolls well. "Kristin says that they could not of had a better show.

They all stand close as they shock the audience with there next scene. Desiree Peel(right) ,Stacie Groll(right), Bonnie Valentine(left), Heather Harrison(left), put on a great show.

The whole cast who put together a great performance.

Working Hard for the Money

By Mariella Ruezga

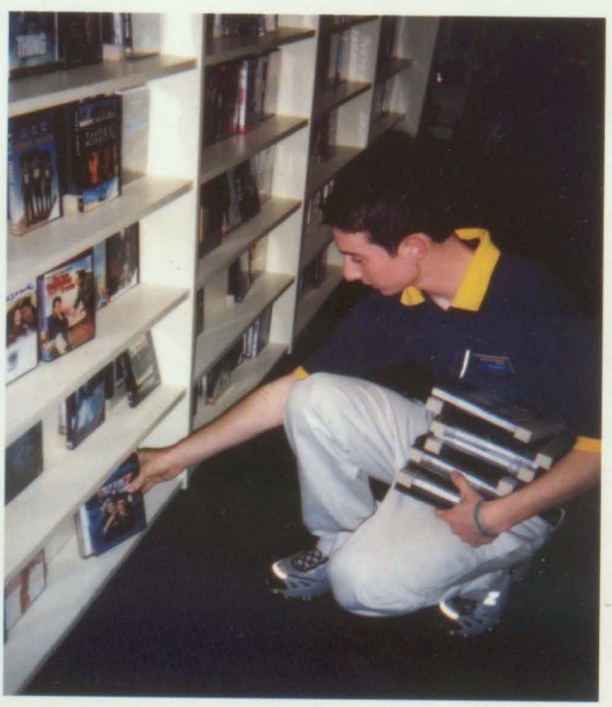
Irvington students have to face many challenges and one of those challenges is having a part time job and going to school. Many students are obligated to have a job to pay for their expenses or have one just to have extra cash in their pockets. There're times when students work till late hours resulting in them not doing their homework because they're too tired or else they stay up late doing it.

Most of the time, when they stay up too late, the following morning they end up being late for school or not being able to focus on what is being taught due to the lack of sleep. Then, that's when grades start dropping and students start stressing.

Stress affects a student's ability to focus. Many work-related incidents that cause stress for students are caused by rude customers at their jobs. School work needs a students full attention without worrying or stressing about something that took place at work.

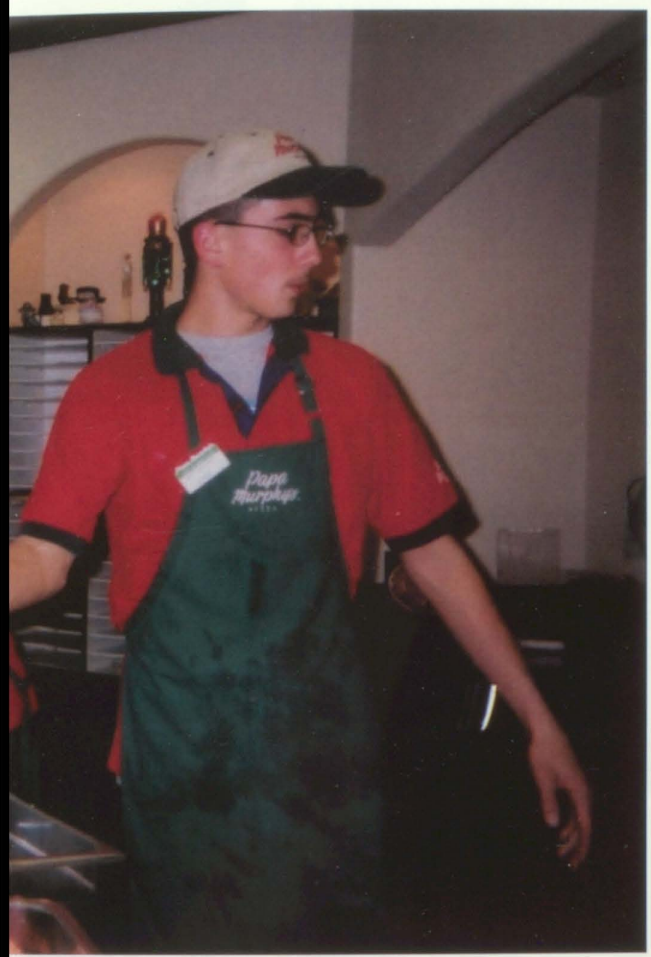
Senior Melody Castro is one of the students who has to work. She says, "My parents make me pay for my car insurance, gas, and any other auto repairs, so I have no choice but to work if I want to drive." Jeff Litwin, on the other hand, says he works just to have extra money. He says working once a week is good enough for him because it gives him enough money to pay for little things he needs here and there.

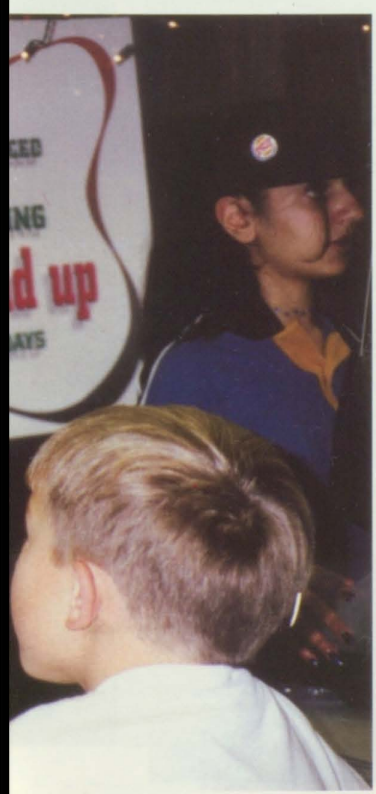
Having a job at a young age prepares an individual to become responsible and independent.



Let's see, Top Gun, huh? That would be a "T." Reshelving videos at Blockbuster Video gives Alex Taguchi a chance to work on his alphabetizing skills.

Once the pizzas are made, it's time to clean up. Melody Castro and Chad Freeman make sure the job is done right at Papa Murphy's.





Trinity Peterson uses an extension pole to redisplay hot threads at Mr. Rags. He works to earn money for college, an important consideration for a senior.

Taking orders from his little brother is just part of the job. Jeff Litwin works one day a week at Burger King for gas money.

Working at a fashion retailer helps him keep up with the latest fashions. Miguel Sandoval rings up a hot pink suede jacket for a customer at Wilsons .

Fixin' The World

By Shan Howerton

Service for the community is the best way to describe the required hours needed to graduate from Irvington, officially called Service Learning. Our award-winning and nationally praised program accepts service hours from various activities, such as serving dinner at the homeless shelter, cleaning up at Lake Elizabeth, or participating in the various opportunities here at IHS.

If you are fortunate to be in classes where service learning is important, such as American Studies, then you already have gotten a chance to do some volunteer work. They have done some impressive work for the community so far, such as caring for Irvington's plants in the back of the school and restoration of Lake Elizabeth's lagoon.

The Academy also spends much of their time giving back to both the Irvington and Fremont communities. By incorporating community service into the curriculum, Irvington has taken a step in making this world a better place for our generation and generations to come.

Irvington's Garden in the back of the school is what these students are helping to keep enviormentally clean. Nathan Sauya, Chris Blair , Thomas Kammerer, and Justin Howcroft are proud to help clean their school.

Participating in the Save the Bay program, a non-profit water testing organization servicing the Bay Area, Dean Kirk, Fazi Shariff, Christain Vazquez, and Nicole Boswell show the rest of the Bay Area how dedicated Irvington students can be.

Justin Howcroft, James Smith, and Crispin Garcia work hard at Lake Elizabeth helping to restore the marshlands. It is very important to help the environment so that natural resources do not disappear within the near future.

Freshman Will Mcintosh proudly helps restore the enviorment. Will and the rest of his classmates are pleased with what they can do to help out the lagoon at Lake Elizabeth.

Participating with the Academy, Tabatha Olsen and Meghan Bird give back to the community while working on the New Marsh Project. The Lake Elizabeth restoration project appreciated the help of Irvington students, as do all the organizations that the student body helps.

Stiver's Lagoon, a subsection of Lake Elizabeth that had become environmentally unsafe, is cleaned by Academy students from IHS. Janillitte Mendoza, Meghan Bird, Christain Vazquez, Nicole Boswell, Veronica Resendez, Fazi Shariff, Sophia Ismail, and Michael Robison were just some of the volunteers there that day, making the Lagoon look better than it ever has.

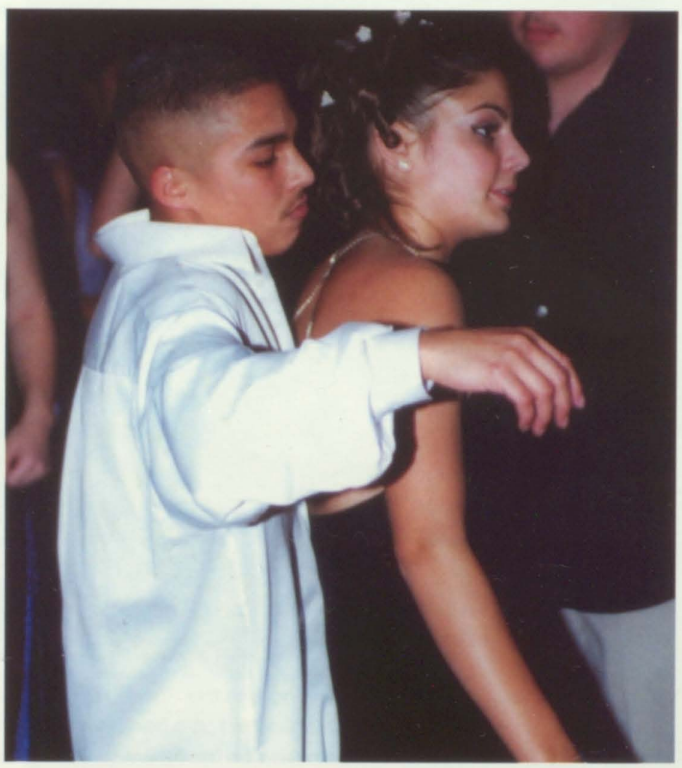
Icy Illusions

By Rachel Hillman and
Anita Subrahmanyam

Everyone's favorite time of the year is winter, with the holidays, winter break, and, of course, Winter Ball. This year's theme, Icy Illusions, definitely set the mood for the entire night of fun, romance, and enchantment. The decorations, which definitely helped make the night majestic, were some of the best this school has seen in a really long time. Although Winter Ball was only three hours long, it felt like an eternity of excitement.

The Winter Ball, the only formal dance during the year for all classes, is not always the most exciting dance of the year. This year seemed to be an exception, with every aspect to the ball wonderous. The music was not the best, but it did not stop the Irvington students from having a great time. The decorations were some of the best ever. The white and blue balloons were hanging from the ceiling, giving the Irvington pride a chance to have fun.

Many people who went to dance confirm that it was one of the best dances Irvington has had. Not only were the decorations great, the night brought people together, Senior, Holly Martinez said,"The magic of the night brought my boyfriend and I closer together, we haven't danced in a long time and the dance gave us the opportunity to get closer." Love was in the air and the night left a lingering effect.



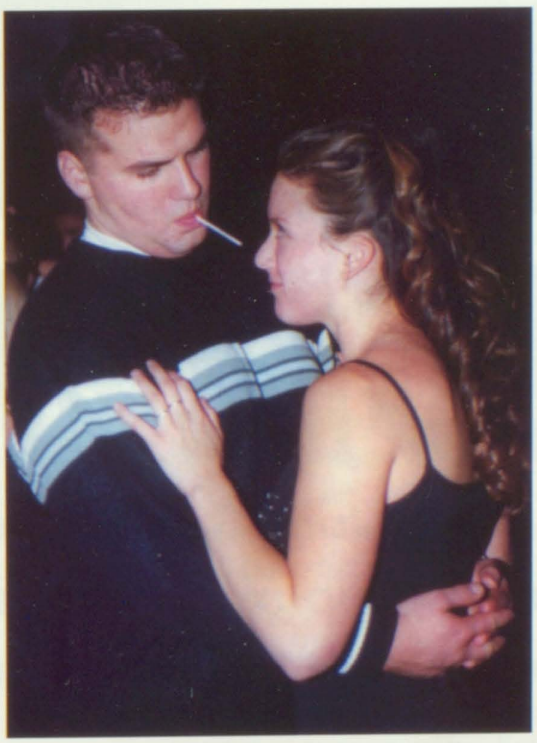
Curtis Jensen and Krystal Nzoiwu dance together at the Winter Ball. They look great matching with their red shirts.

Andris Rapa and Sabrina Issa-Koolan dance to the music as they anticipate the next song. As freshmans this was their first Winter Ball and there will be three more to go.

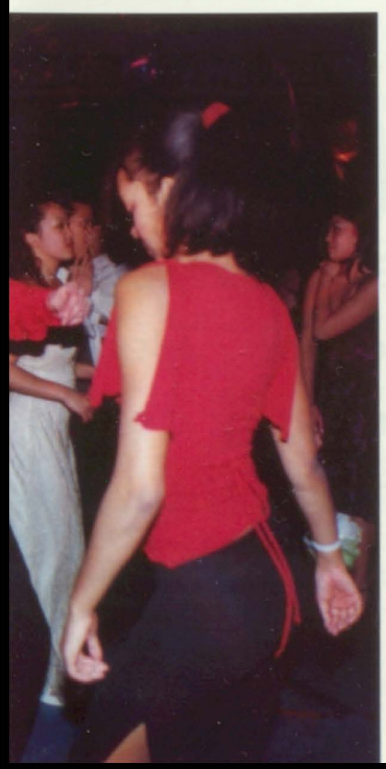
Andrea Rost enjoys herself thoroughly during a fast paced song. Her diamond-like tiara fit the icy theme of the ball nicely.

Chris Wright and Sandra Longoria get down a fast song at the dance. They have to quickly change beats for the next song is a slow one.

Angela Joo gets all dressed up for the Winter Ball. Her dress matches the theme, Icy Illusions, perfectly.



Clayton Palmburg and Patricia Perez get close as they slow it down. As they look into each others' eyes hopefully they wont get too close because his lollipop stick could poke her eye.



Barbara Hu and Andy Fererra are having a great time dancing with each other at the dance. The night seems endless when you are having such a good time.

WHY DO IT?

From Just Say No to Just Do It, the WIRED generation has gotten mixed messages about their choices. Here's what real Irvington students say about why they do the things they do.

By Mariella Ruezga

Why do so many young people use drugs and alcohol? There are the obvious reasons: fitting in and having fun, escaping your problems, but what about the consequences?

The damage that drugs and alcohol does to your body and mind are covered in the ninth grade Health class, but students continue to make dangerous choices. Why do they ignore the dangers to keep doing what they do?

We interviewed some Irvington students about why they use illegal substances, which they were willing to share as long as they were not named. Here's some of what they had to say:

"Marijuana is the drug of choice, and it's easy to get."

"I smoke to release stress, not to mention I just like the feeling of being high."

Being high might feel good, but when you think about what it does to your body it really isn't worth it for a quick rush. In addition to the potentially dangeous behavior an altered state can induce, drugs and alcohol affect brain function, physical growth, and personality. Between car accidents and lung cancer, the possible ways to die from drug use are limitless.

Even though drugs affect your body tremendously, they can affect your life even more. Doing drugs distracts you from what's important in life...relationships, school, your future. If you're always thinking about using drugs, it's hard to focus in class or enjoy time with the people in your life who matter. Many drug users turn to crime to pay for their habit, which leads to even greater consequences.

Addiction is the greatest danger, it can derail your life and turn you into someone even you can't stand. But addiction starts with casual usage, so even experimentation has its risks.

If you're ever faced with the choice of drug involvement, think about the consequences before you decide. It might make the difference between the future you want and the one you want to avoid.

Taste the Rainbow

By Susanna Tuan

The sensitivity of adolescence often makes standing out difficult. The issue of homosexuality becomes a controversial subject which teenagers, as well as adults, may have trouble confronting. There is nothing wrong with same sex relationships and it is important for the general public accept this in a democratic society.

An IHS student who is lesbian was brave enough to share her story with us despite the tremendous risk and pressure of being "just like everybody else.

"At five years old, if you asked me what I wanted, I would have told you I wanted to get married and have kids That dream is still the same, but now I plan on being married to another woman. Nothing in my life has changed except the fact that I am happier with myself.

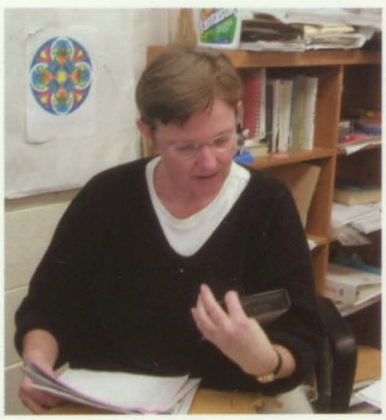
If I stop and think about when I knew I was a lesbian, I would have to say I have always known, I just admitted it to myself in 9th grade.

When I was younger, it was not a sexual issue, but I can remember wanting to spend lunch in my fifth grade teacher's room. I thought she was so pretty. At the time I thought nothing of it, but now I would say I had a crush on her.

In junior high I knew I didn't really like any of my boyfriends but I wasn't sure why. Now I know.

"Irvington High School is proud of its diversity, this extends to its attitude towards gays and lesbians. We celebrate all minorities and this is reflected in the newly re-established Gay Straight Alliance."

-Ms. Jennifer Hillier, GSA advisor



The first person I ever told was my best friend. He was very supportive. After that, telling people got a little easier. I know, and have known for as long as I can remember, that my family does not accept same sex relationships. They make rude comments about it all the time. For this reason, they do not know. Some day, when I no longer have to live with them, I will tell them. It is not something I hide, I love the person I am, but I do not advertise it. If you ask, I will tell you.

I am in a relationship right now. We both want the same things, a life of love and family. Some people say it is wrong to love someone of the same sex, but it would be more wrong for me to be with a guy, someone I could never love.

Did You Know...

What is homosexuality?

A person whose feelings of sexual attraction are for someone of the same sex as themselves.

Can't homosexual people choose to be heterosexual if they tried?

No. Some homosexuals may try to live heterosexual lives with partners of the opposite sex, but it is unnatural and against their true desires which they have no control over.

If you're a teen who thinks you may be homosexual or bisexual what should you do?

The first thing to do would be to find someone you can trust and feel comfortable talking to. Talking may help you understand what you really want to do.

What is it like to come out of the "Closet"?

Sometimes it may be a little embarrassing or uncomfortable. You may fear that people will see you differently, however, it is also a huge relief. It feels as if a great boulder has been lifted off your shoulders and that you can finally be your true self.

If you're a homosexual, should you tell your grandparents?

Probably not. Grandparents are old and often times they don't understand. You would just ruin their perception of you as their "perfect grankid," unless your grandparents are very understanding and reasonable. Otherwise, you might just want to let them live the remainders of their lives in peace.

Preparing the pearl tea drinks didn't take much time for Anime Club member Joshia Chang. Amanda Robison was happy that the wait was short.

Kendra Sakuda patiently waits in line to purchase yummy fried rice from Linda Le and Yurika Vu. The food was delicious and inexpensive.

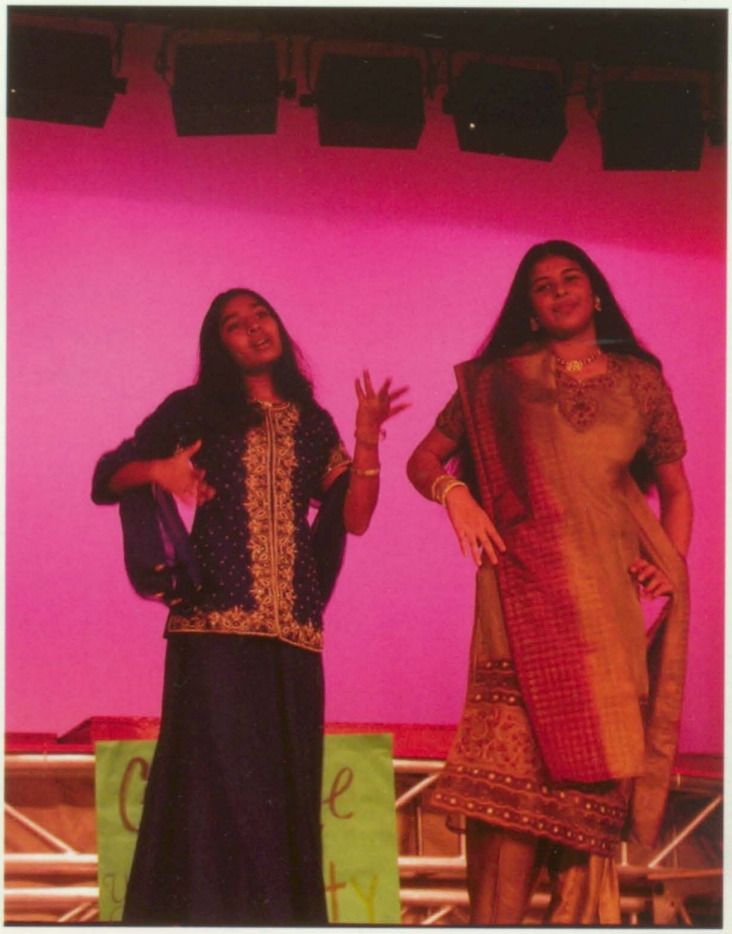
RECOGNIZING OTHER

By Mariella Ruezga

Multicultural Week is filled with joy, excitement, and many different outfits. Students learn new things about their own and other people's cultures.

Multicultural week started on the the 25th of Feburary and lasted until the first of March. Our campus was filled with different food, clothing, music, and dances.

A fashion show was also held in Vahalla on the 27th and 28th of Feburary. The fashion show consisted of many different trends. The students wore many bright colors, flashy tops, and outfits from their cultures. They walked on stage to show off what they were wearing and some even did a little dance. For example, a couple of students from Mr. Ballado's Spanish class danced to a traditional Mexican song. Teachers participated as well by dressing up in their culture's clothing. The fashion show was televised by KRON 4 News later that day.



Roshni Divate and Isra Abid seem hypnotized while they perform their cultural dance. This dance has been in their families for centuries.

While Kyle Padilla takes a bow, Nathan Burge and Alex Campos model their Aztec attire. The Aztec culture was one of many civilizations shown throughout the fashion show.

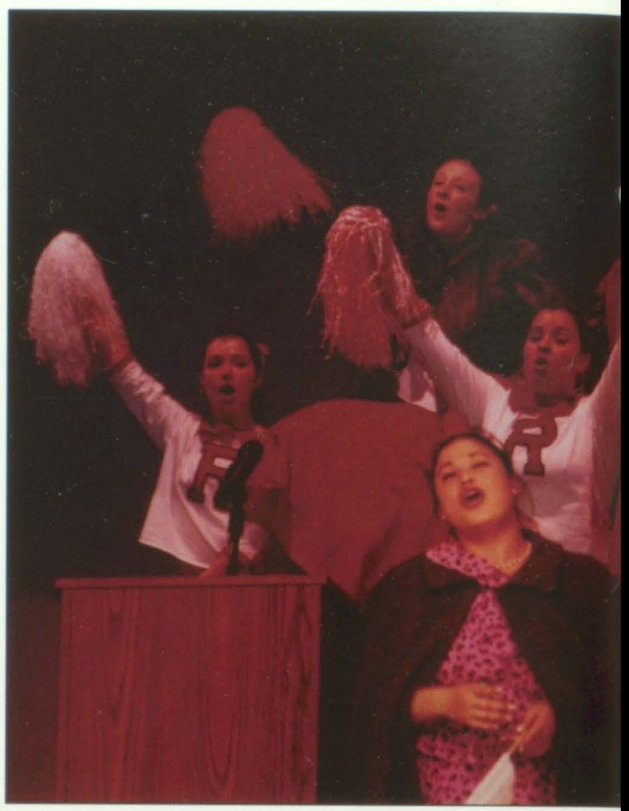
As Ms. Myers spins Derek Hallet, he gets ready to strike the pinata with all his might. Once the pinata was broken students gathered around to grab candy.

During lunch, different cultural foods were sold, such as croissants, crepes, Creme Brulee, and milk tea. Having different selections of food gave students an opportunity to try something new. To represent the Latino culture, a pinata was filled with lots of candy and broken by blindfolded students. To get the crowd pumped up and in the mood, ethnic music was played. People were dancing and having a good time.

Bringing students together, as well as their culture, makes it easier to understand and get to know a little about where everybody's from. "Multicultural Week opened up my eyes and made me see how diverse our school really is," said freshman Elena Perez. Students coming together and being open-minded about everybody's ethnicity makes our school a more unified environment.

CULTURES

Bing Bang I saw the whole gang



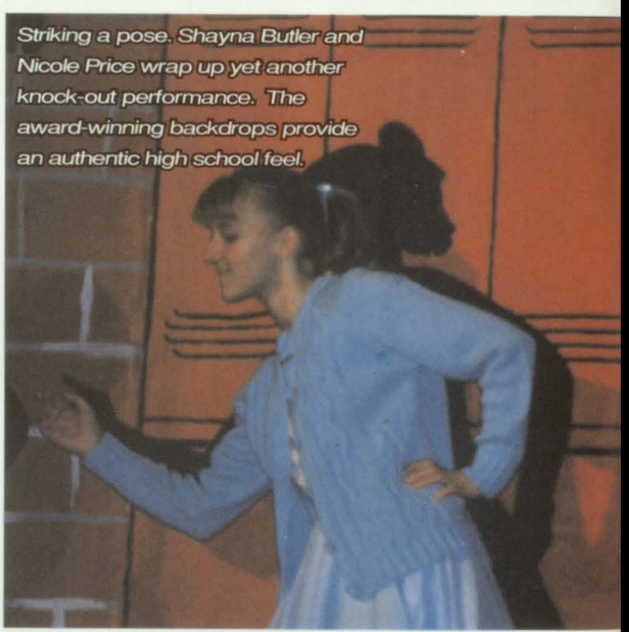
By Shan Howerton

Remember the musical with greasers, beer, and rock in roll? Well it was at Irvington, performed by a group of talented students.

Originally staged as a five-hour amateur production in a Chicago trolley barn in the 70's, *Grease* took a unique look at the dress, manners, morals, and music of teenagers at the beginning of the rock and roll era. The plot revolves primarily around the attraction between greaser Danny Zuko and the virtuous Sandy Dumbrowski (an Australian exchange student) who get caught between their two groups the Pink Ladies and the T-Birds. The show featured such musicals hits as "Summer Nights," "Greased Lightning," and "Beauty School Dropout."

This musical phenomena was brought to Irvington and directed by Ms. Jackson, who along with her tech crew and musicians did an incredible job at remaking this Broadway hit into a school play. The whole cast were tense about getting the play into shape just weeks before it opened in March. "This has been a great experience for me and I think that the show turned out really good," said Shayna Butler who played one of the Sandys.

Unlike previous spring musicals, *Grease* was not a joint production with Mission San Jose High School marking the beginning of Irvington's independence as a true Performing Arts Magnet School.



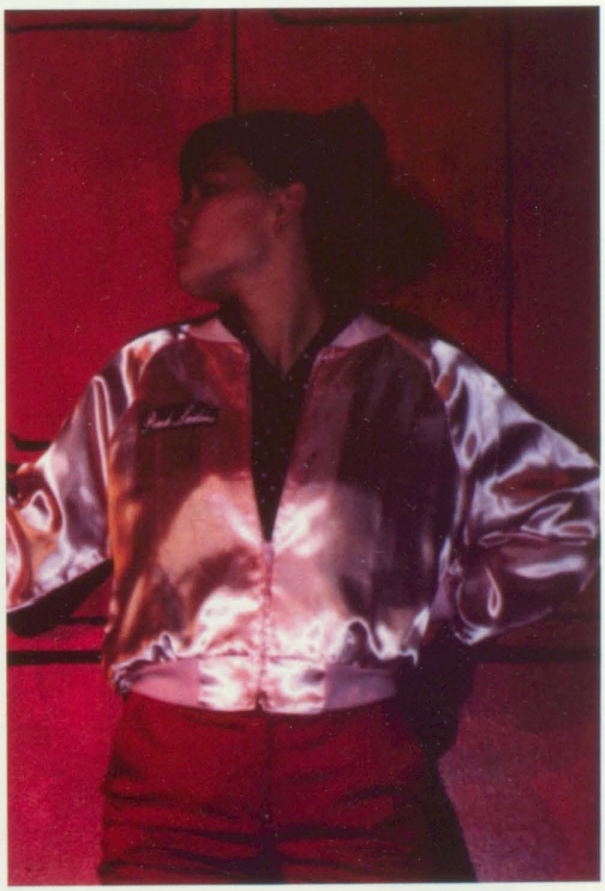
Striking a pose. Shayna Butler and Nicole Price wrap up yet another knock-out performance. The award-winning backdrops provide an authentic high school feel.

Jesica Robertson, Monica Colagioiovan, Heather Harrison, Bonnie Valentine, Tawny Schrodetzki, and Noelle Blanco demonstrate the spirit of Rydell High School. The whole cast had a blast in playing this classic musical.

The Grease cast strikes a attitudinal pose to capture the teen angst that pervades the play. Rock on, Rydell!

Ryan Wong, David Martinez, and Erica Sanborn harmonize in the opening scene. Although many characters were stereotypical, they serve to critique the cliques and social hierarchy of high school.

Greg Lucas who plays Danny Zuko is at hom in his biker's leather jacket. With his award-winning voice, it's no wonder Greg nailed the lead in the spring musical once again.



Marissa Calderon plays Rizzo, leader of the Pink Ladies, with just the right attitude for the part. Spirited and sensitive, Marissa perfectly captured the conflicted emotions of the tough badgirl.

Black Light Special

By Anthony J. Mardirosian

The Black Light Rally was great. There was some really neat stuff going on. Break–dancers. Colorguard. Cheerleaders. Dancers. And some real nice Techno Music to boot. The funniest part of the Black Light Rally was the Chicken Fling competition. Four people, each from a different sport, tried to fling the chicken as far as they can while at the same time trying to hit the opposite wall. Considering that it was Boys v. Girls, it's not too surprising that the boys, with their superior upper body strength, won this game.

Colorguard gave us a taste of their skill as they did their award–winning routine. Barefoot, with flags and colors flying, it's not hard to see how these students brought IHS their first colorguard trophies.

After this came the main show. The lights dimmed, and the Black Light Rally truly began. Busting out with some smooth tunes, the junior varsity and varsity cheerleaders did their show, really riling up the crowd. You could feel the throb of the crowd, as they yelled out for more.

Then out came Ms. Jackson's Advanced Dance class, with a routine set to three trendy songs. The rhythm was great, and their dance kept with it. Being in motion with the music made the experience the best ever.

Last came the wicked break–dancers. These guys were awesome, using their "mad skillz" to show off their stuff, also giving us a backbreaking show, getting the students really into it.

This was one of the best Black Light Rallies at Irvington High School ever. Let's hope this tradition continues into the future.

Janey Lee and Evelyn Lim join in on the fun at the Sadies Dance. Unlike the couples in their matching costumes, people who went stag did not have to dress up.

Ryan Wong and Chelsea Whitfield taste the fruit. They had some of the most intriguing outfits at the dance.

Color guard dancers show their stuff at the black light rally. As the opening performance they put on quite a performance.

Monica Colagiovanni and Jennifer Whealen stand in line to get into the dance. It was a packed night for everyone trying to get in.

Miss Jackson's Advanced Dancers shake it up during the rally. Most were entertained by the unique style of choreography.

Brandon Wolcott stays cool twirling his glow sticks. The Sadies Dance had quite a scene for anyone to see.

Victoria Hill keeps up the spirit of Irvington, dancing the night away. Many students showed up at the dance in search of a good time.

Love Hurts

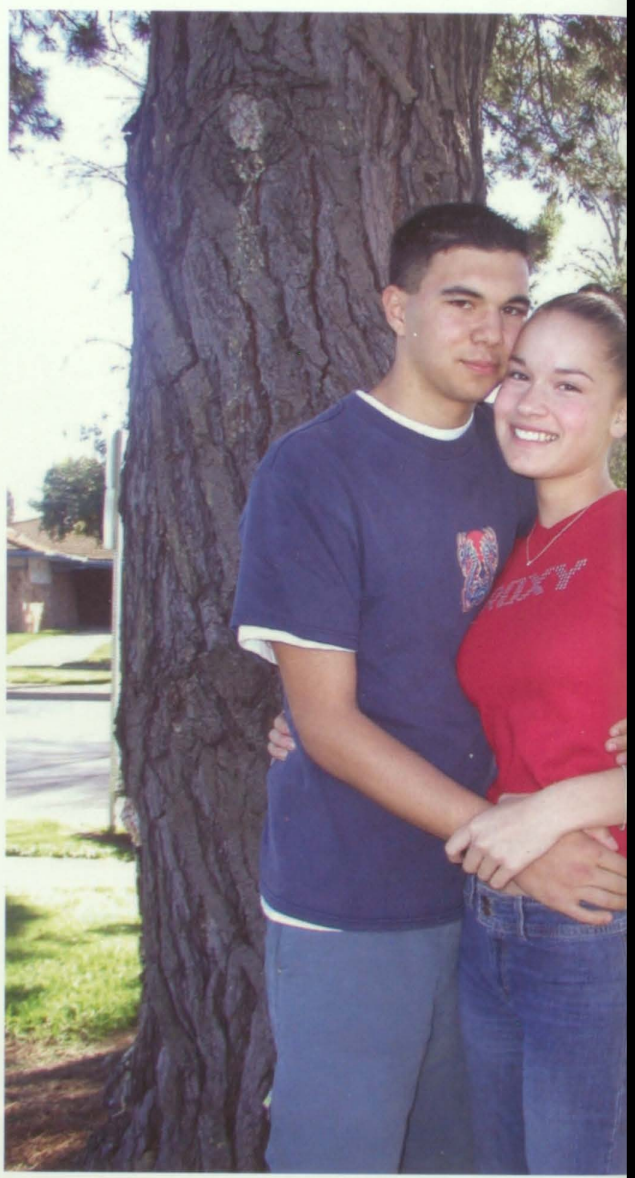
By Rachel Hillman and
Anita Subrahmanyam

Many memories of high school involve the relationships we form during our four years here, both platonic and romantic. While these memories are sometimes fond and other times not so pleasant, on the whole, the way we relate to each other and communicate with friends shapes us for years to come. "Arina and I have a very open and communicative relationship." Kyle Warmack said. He and Arina Ivanova have been together since January and say they were friends first and a couple second.

While having a girlfriend or boyfriend full time can occasionally be overwhelming and time consuming, it can also be rewarding in the end. "Love always provides the comfort you need in every situation," Mercimelis, muses about his girlfriend, Nicki Fleishman.

Relationships can be stressful and sorrowful, especially as graduation, and separation, nears. Mature couples are able to deal with that trauma and work out the problems. Mana Kahali and Daniel Berkenklotter plan to stay together after graduation and handle their long-distance relationship as it goes.

Relationships are one of the many highlights of a teen's high school experience, not just for the romance, but for the lessons learned.



Kyle Warmack and Arina Ivanova gaze into each others' eyes as they share a moment alone in the courtyard. Starting off as friends, their relationship can only grow stronger.

Mercimelis and Nicki Fleisman, both juniors, having been going out for about a year. Both believe that good truly triumphs and love will always prosper.

Chris Randolph and Michelle Calderon hold each other affectionately before talking about their relationship. Since they are sophomores, they have two more years to go.

Freshmen Christina Balbiani and Jacob Derek have been in a relationship since junior high. They say that their relationship is unique because they aren't just a couple, but they are friends also.

Erika Ramos and Mani Jassar have a special relationship. As seniors they have been together for four years. Erika says that Mani is a great boyfriend because he is her best friend too.

Testing Time!

By Anthony J. Mardirosian

To test, or not to test. That is the question.

Over the past four years, test season has become an annual stressload for teachers, administrators, and students alike. During the school year, students are learning the vital things that they will need later on in life, for college, a career, or even just plain social skills. This is supposed to be a natural learning process, guided by teachers who help the students learn these vital things.

Then testing time rolls around, and all those naturally occurring, relevant, life-lessons take a back seat to a state-mandated, artificial, assessment called the STAR. This test, published by Harcourt Brace, isn't even aligned to the state standards which teachers are supposed to follow, but California's students are required to jump through this hoop from grades 2 through 11. At least until the state of California gets around to designing their own tests that do fit the curriculum.

There are financial incentives for students to do well on these tests. High scores can earn scholarship money, and schools receive API money if their students do well overall. But the school's incentives are only good for the first three years, after that, no matter how high the students score, the school will not get any more money.

There is more than just STAR testing. There is also the Golden State Exam, an optional test designed for honors level students. Because there are benefits, many high achieving students choose to take this test. If you score high enough on six GSEs, you will receive a Golden State diploma, which looks good when applying to college.

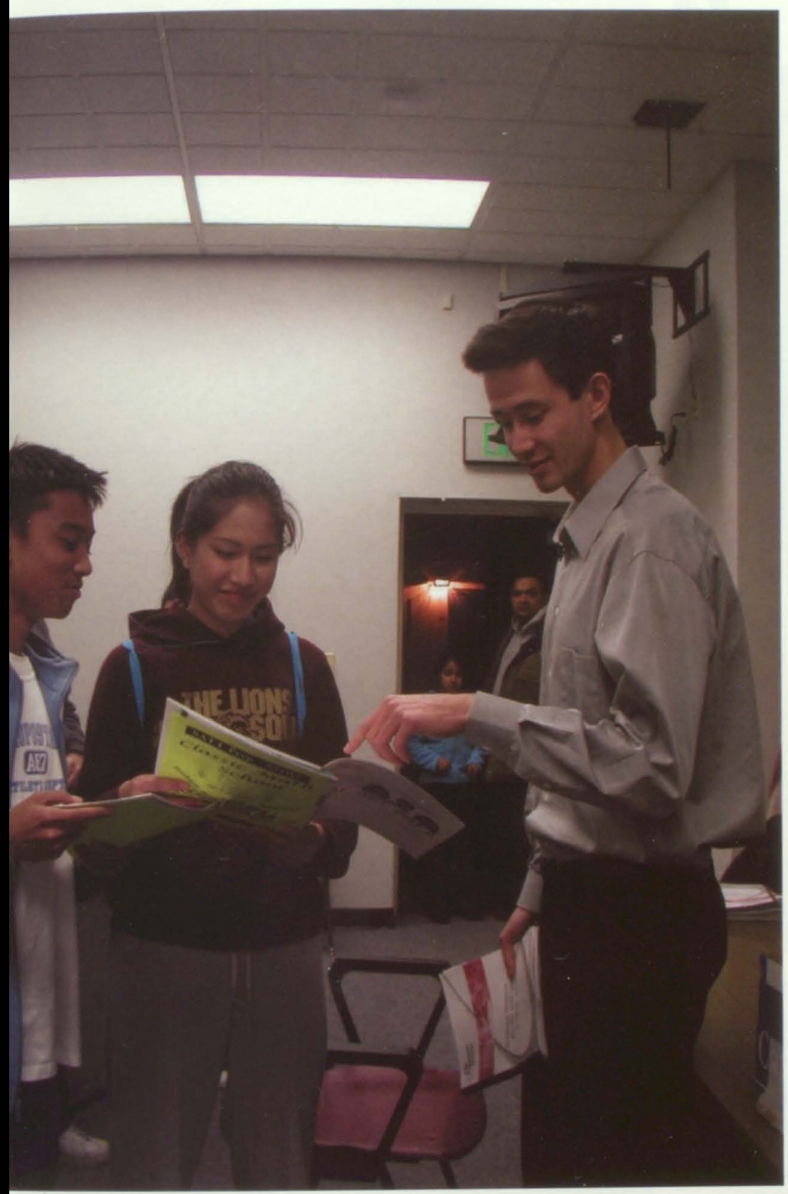
The last major annual test is the Advanced Placement Test. These have use but only if you are going to be going to a 4 year college right after high school. If you are going to a 2-year college these tests are not as useful. One of the best things about the AP Testing is that you can get waived out of some required classes and get college credits, such as basic math or English, if you score high enough. A common misconception is only students in AP classes can take AP tests. This is not true, anyone can take them as long as they pay the fee and sign up in time. You do not need to be enrolled in an AP class to be able to take the test. Out of all of the tests, this is the least disruptive. If you sign up to take the test, you, as an individual, get out of class instead of making the whole class use class time. Also, there are real advantages for the test taker as an incentive. If you score well on the AP tests you get college credits, which can make your college experience less stressful. If you score high enough, you can take fewer classes in college, which frees up time for other classes or a job.

Mr. Howell looks over his testing schedul e to make sure that everything is ready to go. As vice principal, Mr. Howell is the testing coordinator, and spends a lot of time on this issue. He thinks that all the tests given throughout the year should be compiled into one major test.

Elisarah Surdarmaji, Wendy Lao, Ginny Wang and Jennifer Hsu listen to the SAT coach give advice about the test, After getting their scores back, they disuss their results with each other.

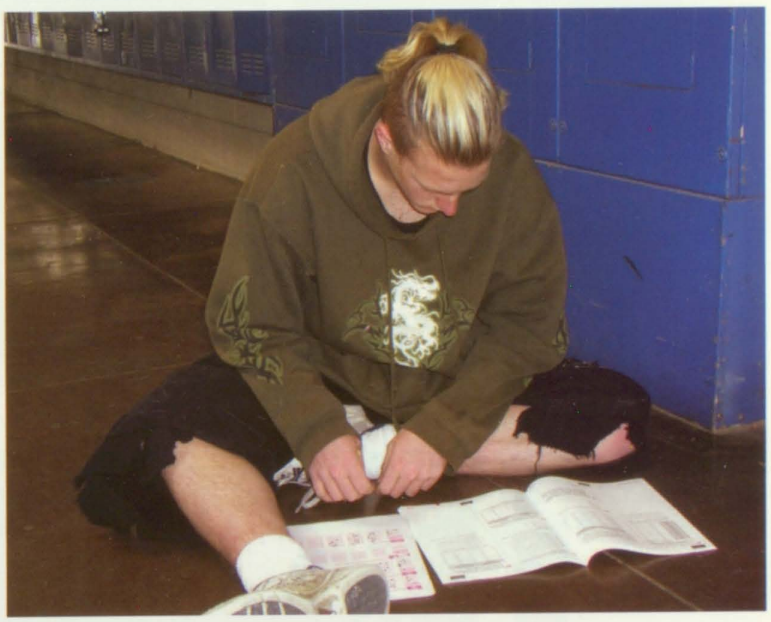
Armon Naima, Uki Sapozhnikov, and Varun Patibanda pace themselves while working on the math section of the STAR test .These students have PE third period, so they take the test in the cafeteria.

Anthony Tadina, Carol Lieu and SAT coach Court Osborn look over a pamplet about SAT classses offered at different locations. Court points out the different rankings of colleges throughout the nation.



All the STAR tests are kept in boxes in Room 2. A volunteer stays in the room during the day to count all the tests in the boxes and make sure materials are not stolen or misplaced.

Sean Stader is taking the STAR test in the hallway because he felt that there was too much noise in his classroom. Hopefully he doesn't have to sit in the hallway during all the tests, it must be uncomfortable.



TITLE IX

Thirty years and counting...are all things equal?

By Susanna Tuan

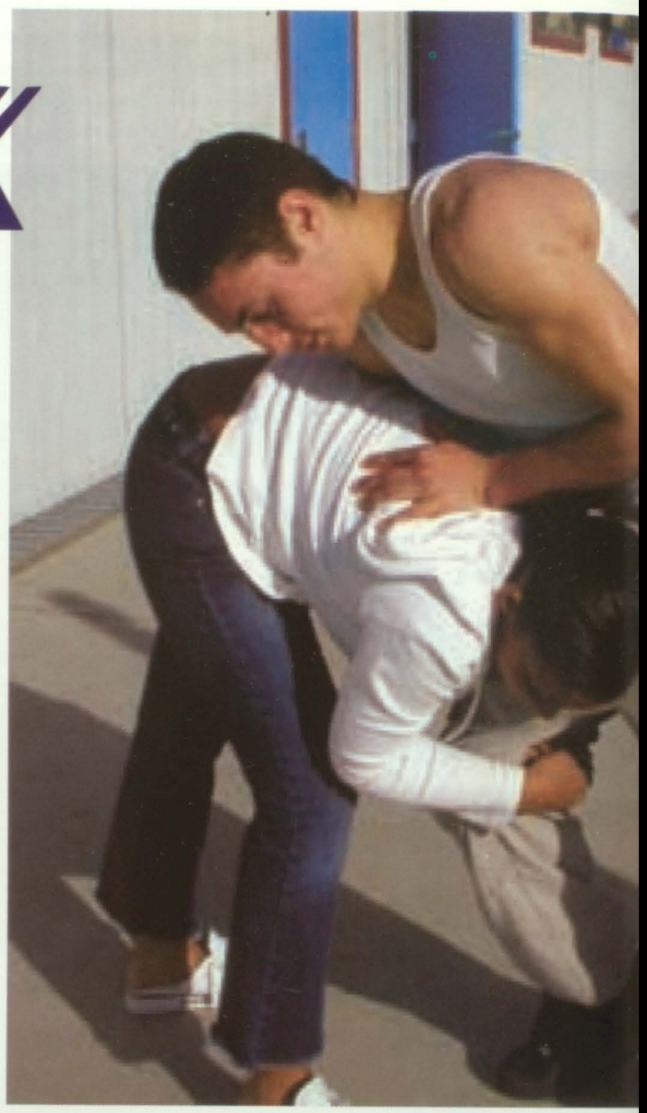
"No person in the U.S. shall, on the basis of sex be excluded from the participation in, or denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal aid."

Under Title IX, males and females are guaranteed, by law, equal treatment and have the same opportunity for any thing that is funded by the government. This means that public schools are required to have equality between male and female sports. There needs to be the same number of male and female sports. The coaches for each sport need to have an equal salary and the same amount of money needs to be given to the different sports.

Equality is much more easily stated than done. Although Title IX was passed exactly thirty years ago, in 1972, even today it is difficult to have complete gender equity within the school system. In fact, it is often difficult to distinguish exactly what "equality" is. For instance, is a high school football team which has one female and twenty seven males considered "equal" because there are both males and females on the team? Or is it considered discriminatory, because the representation between the two genders are so different? It's hard to say because so few girls want to BE on the football team, it's not like they're being kept out.

Ms. Kim Martins, IHS volleyball and softball coach, strongly supports Title IX and believes that our school does a good job in fulfilling its requirements. "Irvington has tried hard to design and sustain equality between the male and female sports. There are the same number of teams for both genders, and the funding for the teams are equal."

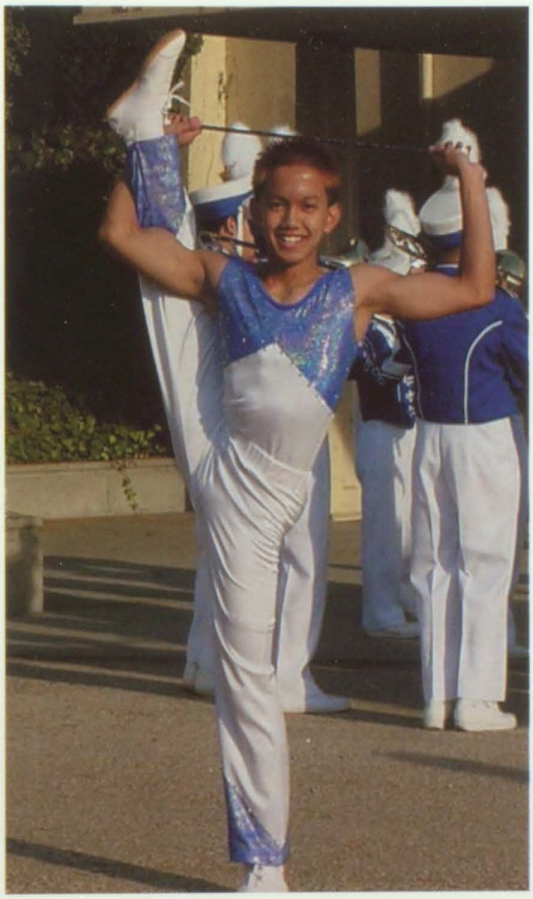
Often people mistakenly think of Title IX as designed to insure equality for females, but it's really only meant to create equal opportunities. In the past, women did have to face a lot more sexism than today. There were hardly any female sports teams and they were given close to no money at all. Today, many schools compensate, by opening extra opportunities for female students. While girls are allowed to try out for the football, wrestling, and baseball team, male students are not allowed to try out for the girls volleyball team, even though there is currently no boys volleyball team. So, as you can see, while it is important to give females jthe same opportunities as males, we need to be careful not to create reverse discrimination in the process.



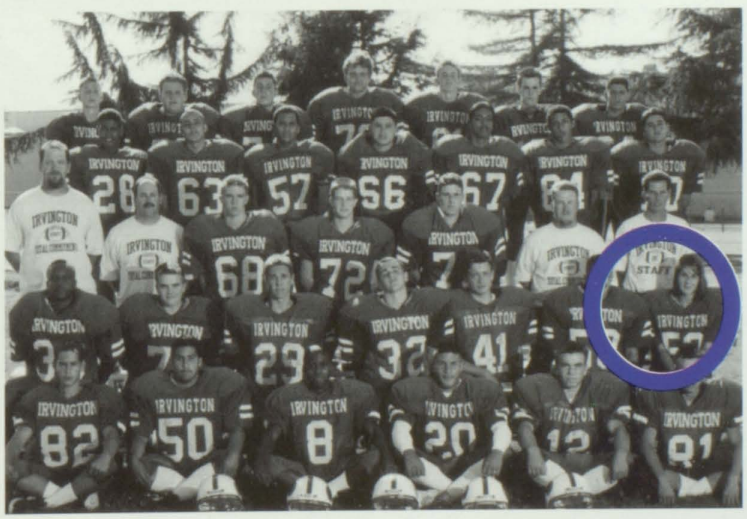
Natasha Fitzgerald, female wrestler, shows off her talent as she attacks wrestling captain, Frankie Becerra. She has just as much spunk as any guy on the team.

The girls varsity volleyball team huddles around Coach Martins for a break to start the game. Congratulations on having such a wonderful season.

"It's kind of hard doing baton because people make fun of me since I'm a guy, but its not that bad if you have high self esteem."
-Vincent Gatdula



Irvington Athletic Director Mr. Jeff Fern is completely in favor of Title Nine. He has two daughters of his own and he believes that boys and girls should be given the same opportunities in sports and other high school activities. "It is very important for everyone to be involved in the school and girls are just as capable as boys are," he said.



"Playing football was definitely an awesome experience last year and I regret not playing this year. It was lots of fun bonding with the team and just having fun playing football. I can't forget the huddles. Hehe. I'm excited to play again next year. Senior year will be a blast."
-Olivia Rodriguez

Sports

What does it take to play sports? Drive, passion, and love of the game. When getting ready to compete, athletes get WIRED on the natural high of sports. The cheer of the crowd and physical charge of competition bring a rush to all athletes at IHS. The excitement of a meet or tournament brings Vikings together in an celebration of school spirit.

Varsity gymnast Trisha Abad, does her beam routine for a panel of judges at WHS. Although this was the first year that IHS had a Gymnastics team, Trisha Abad placed high in overall rankings to schools who've had gymnastics for years.

Blitz!

By David Aquino

Every year the Irvington football team does their best, and wins as many games as they can. This year, however, they didn't just do their best, they were the best. For the last 19 years, the football team has not gone to playoffs...until this year, with a seven and two record. "Our varsity guys weren't even born yet, the last time we went," Jonathan Aquino said when he learned that we were going to playoffs.

However there are the occasional bad apples who try to win any way they can. Especially during the October 12, 2001 game against Mission San Jose. During the game Mission started telling our Viking guys they were trash on the other side of the railroad tracks. They also said that our guys didn't deserve to play on the same field as them. "My teammates and I showed them that we were just as good as them [at football]," Jesus Suarez said. By half-time, the score was 28 to 7, and at the end of the game the score was 54 to 10. That just shows what our players can do if they set their mind to something.

This is undoubtedly one of the best years we had. The new football players will have a hard time outdoing this year's varsity team. It would have saved the other teams from a lot of pain if they heard J.D. Piche say "I quote Gladiator, 'People should know when they are conquered.'"

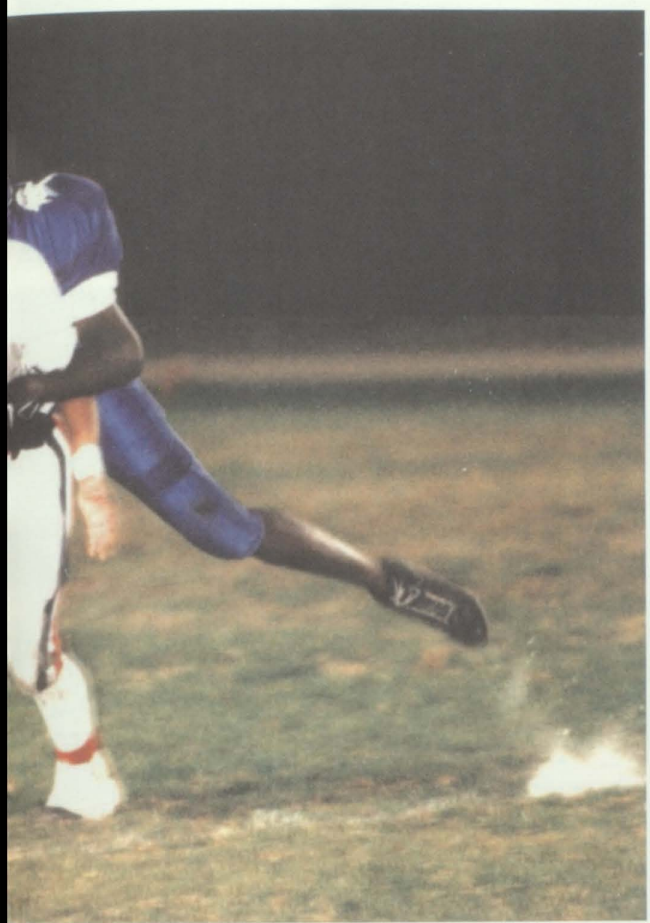
Derek Hallet runs for a short gain while Jonathan "Nacho" Aquino (number 28) and Stephen "Kalani" Kalawaia (number 79) hold off opposing players. Derek goes as far as he can to help out the team.

Byron Austin takes the American receiver down hard with a sure tackle. he runs with enough force it is almost like he is flying to take the opposing player down.

Patrick Herndon keeps his feet moving while avoiding two opposing defenders. He tries his best to get to the end-zone as fast as he can.

Jarrod Fiance runs to daylight, leaving the American players behind. No one can match his speed from so far behind.

Anthony Novello blasts through an opening leaving American defenders to eat his dust. Anthony Burnett's (number 52) block helps spring Anthony Novello for a long gain.



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Front Row: Jarrod Fiance, Matt Smith, Jonathan Aquino, David Bahney, Lorenzo Guerrero. 2nd Row: Todd Reid,Brandon Minyen, Ryan Paulsen, Trevor Sanford, Frank Yildiz, Derek Hallett. 3rd Row: Dane France, Josh Howe,Coach Russell Duncan, Coach Skip Cain, Coach Rob Van Deusen, Andrew Rojas, Patrick Allam. 4th Row: Nathan Berge, John Hebison, Thomas Carrillo, Chris Randolph, Chad Archila, Kalani Kalawaia, Jason Cain.

Freshmen	
Piedmont	26 - 12
Kennedy	18 - 12
Terra Nova	21 - 12
Mission San Jose	0 - 7
Washington	28 - 0
American	26 - 14
Newark Memorial	36 - 0
Logan	52 - 0

JV	
St.Patrick/St.Vincent	14 - 16
James Lick	0 - 21
Kennedy	0 - 6
John Swett	28 - 36
Mission San Jose	0 - 35
Washington	35 - 6
American	7 - 17
Newark Memorial	21 - 0
Logan	35 - 6

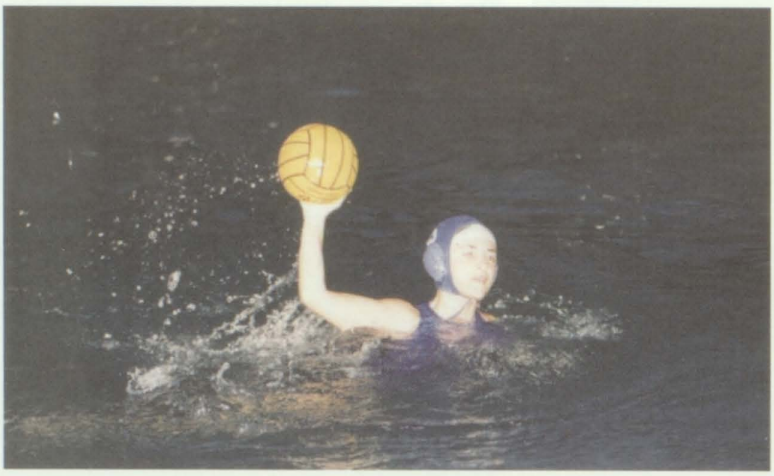
Varsity	
St.Patrick/St.Vincent	14 - 22
James Lick	0 - 26
Kennedy	13 - 40
John Swett	13 - 28
Mission San Jose	10 - 54
Washington	13 - 21
American	25 - 32
Newark Memorial	49 - 6
Logan	59 - 0

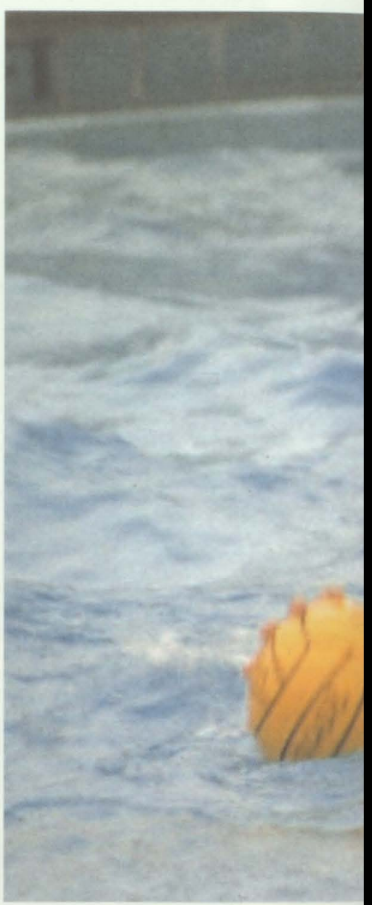
Front Row: Richard Cardadeiro, Zach Silvernale, John Dooley, Daniel Nieves, Albert Sandoval, Patrick Dillaboy. 2nd Row: Lawrence Egu, Josh Stone, Jacob Stone, Jesus Suarez, Ryan Buchanan, Josh Blandino. 3rd Row: Russell Duncan, Skip Cain, Joey Shreffler, Alex Smith, Bob Spain, Michael Thompson, Wayne Stone, Coach Van Deusen. 4th Row: Steven Burks,Anthony Novello, Thomas Bui, Byron Austin, Trinity Peterson, Chevas Campbell, Anthony Burnett. Back Row: Ernie Davis, JD Piche,Luke Bradley, Jayson Rose, Steve Miller, Zaman Virani.

Splish Splash

Goalie Kenneth Juenger blocks a desperate attempt to score from the other team. Kenneth has just enough energy to keep the other team from scoring all day long.

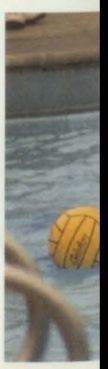
Marilia Maschion keeps on playing at night in the cold water, because she has more important things on her mind...scoring. She gets the water polo ball and winds up to make a goal.





All the guys gather with the coaches for some motivational speeches and some plans on what they can do to win. After getting worked up the starting players jump in the water to play.

Boys		Girls
American	0 - 17 W	American
Washington	7 - 9 W	Washington
Newark	5 - 7 W	Newark
Logan	9 - 4 L	Logan
Mission SJ	4 - 13 W	Mission SJ
American	7 - 25 W	American
Washington	9 - 7 L	Washington
Newark	4 - 10 W	Newark
Logan	8 - 5 L	Logan
Mission SJ	5 - 12 W	Mission SJ
MVAL's		MVAL's
Washington	9 - 8 L	Washington



By Justin Wang

Water polo is not like most other sports: it is a unique combination of swimming, soccer, and basketball with a hint of wrestling and boxing. It is perhaps one of the most physically demanding sports. Water polo players must have good endurance in order to tread water and swim for a whole game. They must possess physical strength to shoot the ball while remaining mostly submerged in water. Physical agility is also crucial, when the possession of the ball could change without a moment's notice. The most important part of water polo would have to be teamwork, the coordinated passes, synchronized counter-attacks, and the well-excecuted plays are the vital part of any water polo team.

This season went by exceptionally well, after being faced with the doubt of even having a water polo season. The district's initial refusal to heat the pools for the water polo team was distressing, however with the protests, the district reversed its decision weeks before the season. Luckily, we were able to find two willing coaches. Even with the late start in the beginning of the season, the team managed to do quite well.

For the team, the water polo season is the best part of the year. Water polo is a way to dissolve away all worries into the water, making the game the first priority in your mind. Playing water polo is both physically and mentally rewarding, and it allows us to release stress while, at the same time, increase fitness. Water polo helps those who play it feel more confident, make new friends, improve physical condition, and give each person on the team something that they love to do.

Andy Deregorio keeps his eyes on the ball, while holding off the opposing player. He tries his best to stop the player from passing or scoring so his teamates can move around to help him out.

Justin Wong holds off an opposing player before he scores. Hopefully the goalie can get back into his spot before the other player scores.

Front Row: Kelsey Roldan, Amanda Woodrum, Ashley Kendall, Sara Fulk, Brittany Lovejoy, Shelby Twohig,Theresa Ferreira, Sabrina Issa-Koolan, Lauren Ashley, Christy Humphreys. 2nd Row: Justin Wang, Lance Washington,Casey Covey, Brittany Schroeder, Lindsay Groves, Kat Ashley, Heather Piccolotto, Marilia Maschion, Lauren Avina, Bryan Alejancirino, Jacob Twohig, Matthew Skelton. Back Row: Coach Adrian Dinis, Robert Pierce, Matt Van Derwerken,Joel Starkey, Michael McLaughlin, Kenny Juenger, Miguel Sandoval, Clay Palmberg, Keith Aldinger, Nick Driscoll,Jeff Litwin, Coach Matt Fasolis.

Run Viking Run!

By: Abigail Galloway

Two of the most common questions I'm asked are, "Why do you run?" and, "How is running fun?" Well, the answers to those questions are not all that simple. I started running because I thought I could be good at it and I am still running because I still think I could be good at it. However, I'm not really sure how that justifies why I run. The question is a lot easier to answer for some of the other runners on my team. A few of them use cross country to get in shape for basketball or soccer. Some see it as a precursor to track season.

The other question is much easier to answer, however, the answer is very different for everyone. The majority of the fun of running cross country doesn't actually come from running. It comes from being a part of a team. Being a part of the cross country team means spending everyday after school with about twenty–five other people. We all get to know each other and joke around at practices and at races. There can be some strange conversations and, believe it or not there are some fun games we play to get a work out.

The most fun we have as a team is when we compete at the Mt. SAC invitational in Los Angeles. We leave after first period on friday and drive down to the races in vans. Then we go to the race course to do our pre race workout. Dinner is always fun and it is always a challenge to find some healthy to eat the day before a race, the only day we ever really have to watch how much fat we eat; one of the many perks of being a runner. It is kind of fun knowing we will burn almost every calorie we eat during our next run.

I hope I have answered two of the most commonly asked questions about running. The truth is, most of us don't really know why we run but we do enjoy being part of the team. Running is hard, so the fun usually comes when we are not running. That is not really hard to believe though, how much fun can it be to be so tired you can hardly stand up. However, it is always fun to eat what ever you want and not have to worry about it!!

While passing up a Mission Peak and gaining on a Logan Colt, Anna Chan disregards everyone on the course. The only thing on her mind is the endurance she has to run her course at Coyote Hills.

Opponents	Boys		Girls
	Var.	Jv.*	Var.*
Logan	31–24(L)	33–24(L)	38–23(L)
Washington	24–34(W)	27–28(W)	24–32(W)
Newark	26–30(W)	15–50(W)	19–37(W)
American	32–23(L)	15–50(W)	20–35(W)
Mission		45–19(L)	66–18(L) 40–21(L)
Kennedy	19–79(W)	18–inc.(W)	21–inc.(W)
MVAL's	5th	2nd	3rd

Frosh. Boys ran with JV. Boys JV Girls ran with Var.

Lindsay Meyer continues running after hiking the only hill on the corse in September. From that hill on it was flatlands from there to the finish line.

As the race starts out, Liz Emge, paces her self, knowing of the long race ahead of her. While competing up north, with other schools from the Bay Area, she keeps her composure and finishes strong.

Robert Noakes and his notorious smiling socks scurry to the finish line at the Halfmoon Bay course. Accustomed to finish lines, being on varsity, Noakes always has fun running the races.

Brandon Martin proceeds to run through the invitationals course, part of which went through Halfmoon Bay High School. Though new to the team, Brandon has gained more experience and a better feel for cross country.

Pacing her self through the Artichoke Invatationals, Allison Ligh, put her self ahead of her other competitors like Mission San Jose, Halfmoon Bay High, and James Logan. Pleased with her performance, she ends up leaving the race satistfied.

First Row: Lauren Perez, Roxann Trillo, Allison Ligh, Nysa Sa Baca, Anna Chan, Elizabeth Emge. Second Row: Anthony Tadina, Tim Camara, Brandon Martin, Kimmy Manos, Christy Baird, Abigail Galloway, Lindsay Meyers, David Torres, Michael Jones, Jeffrey Zmolek. Back Row: Ryan Wong, William Miranda, Jarrod Fullerton, Robert Noakes, Danny Arno, Hasan Misherghi, Pavan Trikutam, Husain Misherghi, Chuck Durham, Chris Smith, Jeremy Leonard, Coach Skye Langs

Ace, Ace, Ace

Front Row: Megan Gailey, Jennifer Foronda, Liz Choo. 2nd Row: Brienne Peixoto, Jacquelynn Nguyen, Katie Maria,Azeta Hatef, Kate Mosso. Back Row: Courtney Sherman, Kendra Sakuda, Sabrina Habel, Patrick Bulatao, Alison Nielsen, Lynee Sanute, Shannon Haslinger.

Front Row: Irina Pisnaya, Melissa Kleinsasser. 2nd Row: Renie Yuen, Becky Simones, Carrin Flores, Mana Kahali.Back Row: Jessica Perkins, Krystal Phaneuf, Coach Kim Martin, Ashley Duerr, Staci Lopes.

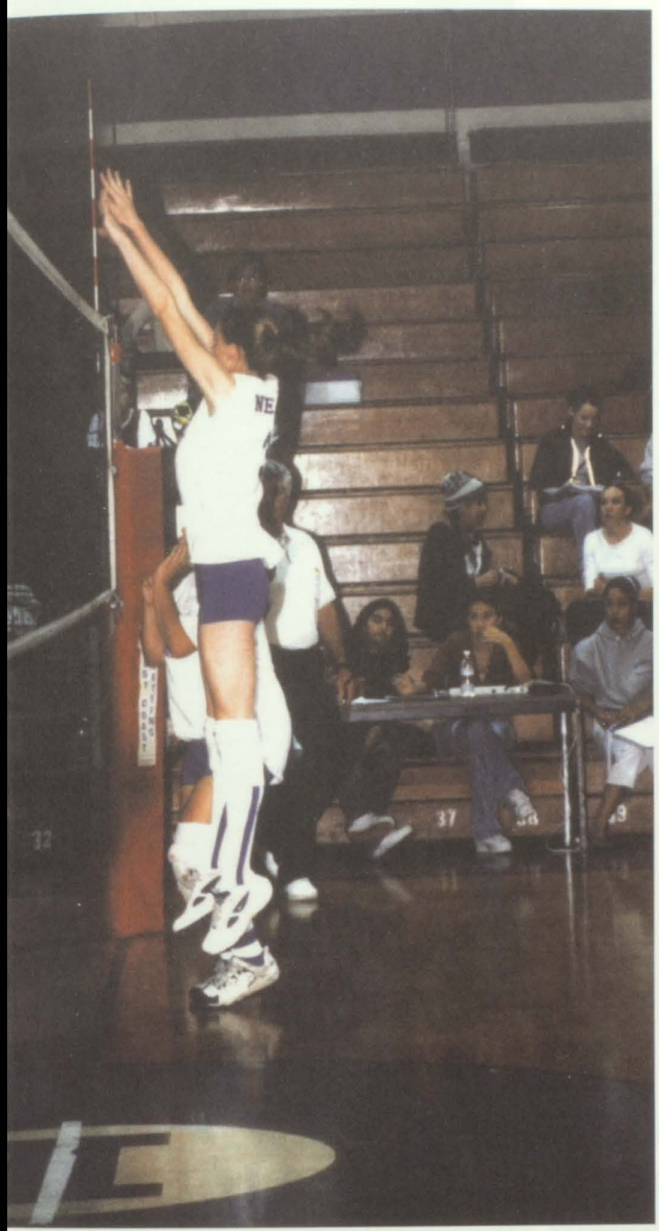
By Liz Choo

We had a FANTABULOUS volleyball season. We would have had a great season from the beginning because we had so many returning players. We only had four freshman teammates, but because they were so lovable, everyone easily adjusted. We worked hard but had so much fun while doing it.

The best part of the season was the fact that we actually won more than two games. On top of that we won a trophy at the Irvington JV Volleyball Tournament. The trophy was for first place in the bronze bracket. The end of the tournament was getting closer and closer and were doing the best we had ever done so far. The score was tied and it was our ball. I'm not sure what came over us but we focused and spiked every ball that came our way. We came back and we whooped 'em. That game brought our team together and that is why we were so successful this year. Another great part of the season was not only winning games and trophies, it was making memories of when we fell on our faces, made corny jokes and stared with satisfaction at the varsity football boys.

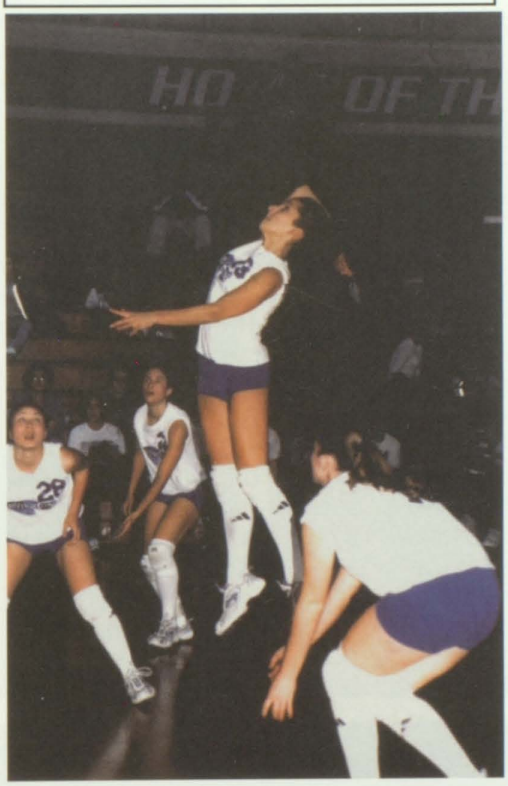
Varsity also did a terrific job this year. They worked extremely hard and it paid off. They even got first place at the Irvington Volleyball tournament earlier this year. They also were invited to NCS to compete. Unfortunately, after a great game, they lost to Moreau. That put them in fourth place overall.

Thanks for a great season, and of course thanks to our fabulous coaches.



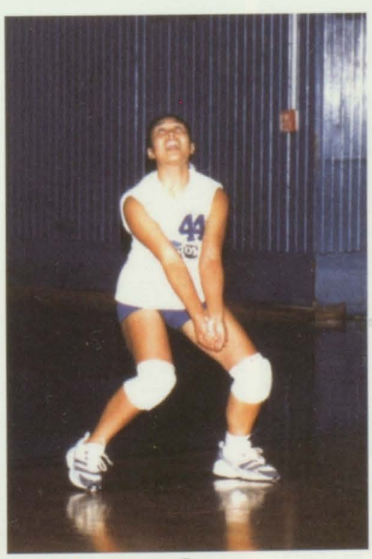
As Melissa Kleinsasser jumps up to spike the ball, her teammates Jessica Perkins, Becky Simones and Corrin Flores all watch in awe, thinking "will she make it?"

Opponent	J.V Score	Varsity Score
Logan	6-15	5-15
Mission	15-12	15-10
American	15-9	15-12
Newark	15-11	15-9
Washington	8-15	6-15
Logan	6-15	11-15
Mission	13-15	15-9
American	15-9	15-10
Newark	13-15	15-10
Washington	7-15	10-15



Corrin Flores slams the ball as Staci Lopes, Becky Simones and Melissa Kleinsasser look on. IHS went into the lead thanks to that play.

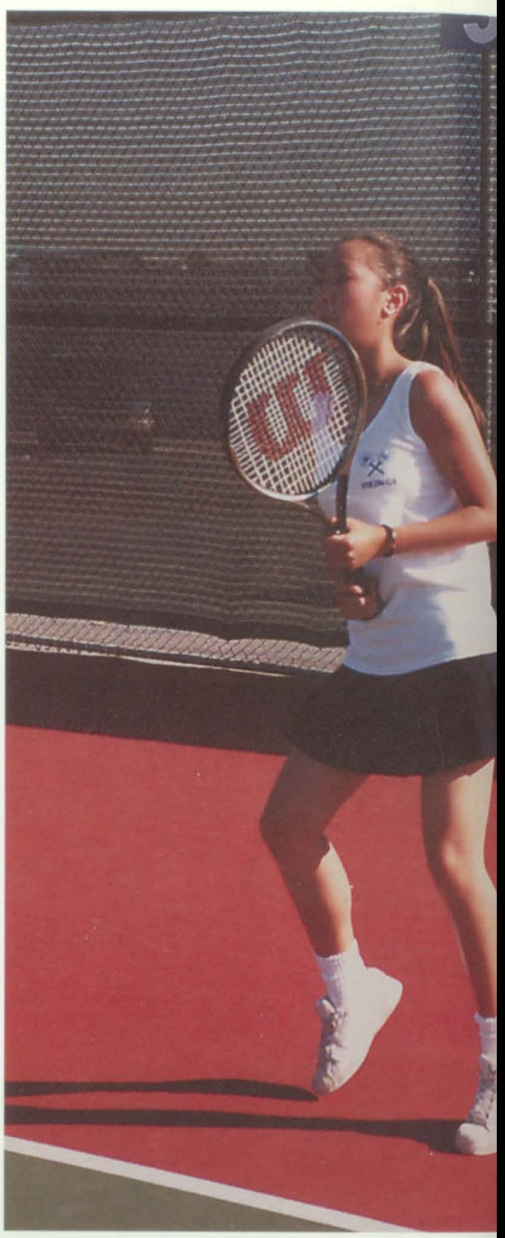
As a serve comes over the net from a Newark player, Corrin Flores goes after it to prevent Newark from getting a sideout.



Jackie Nguyen calls a ball that a Washington Huskie had served. She then bumped the ball up for a set and spike that ended in success.

Jessica Perkins tips an oncoming free ball over the net. She continues to tip three other balls after that, Leaving American in Shock.

Dig It!



By Coach Seiji Kawamura and Ashley Juenger

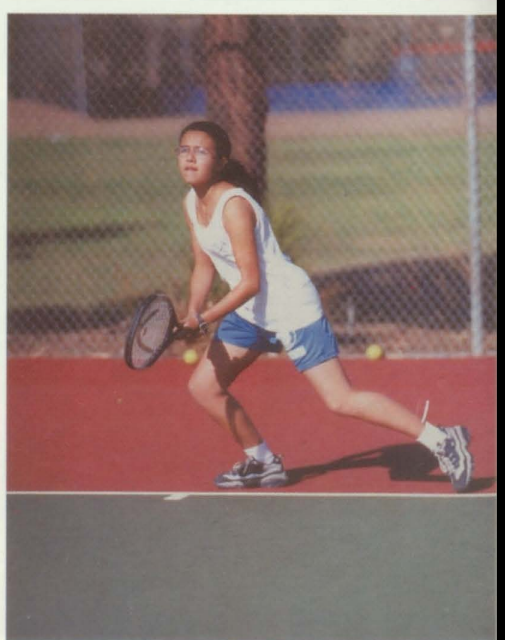
Irvington High School Girls Varsity Tennis team had a stellar season as they finished third in the MVAL with a record of 7-5. "I think our girls tennis team really took our level of play up this year! We got third in league, and that is the best we have done in a long time" said Ashley Juenger happily.

The team was lead by all league sophomore Sarah Henry, who had a record of 11-1 as the number one player. All the single players played very well as they combined for a 32-16 record. "Our Varsity singles really kicked butt and helped us win almost every match. Sarah Henry, Catherine Leone, and myself, are all sophomores and we also play single matches. So next year we will still have strong singles" says Ashley. Catherine Leong had a great season of 9-3, followed by Ashley Juenger at 7-5, and Grace Shaw with 5-5. Catherine and Grace were awarded with a Honorable Mention for their outtanding playing and sportsmanship.

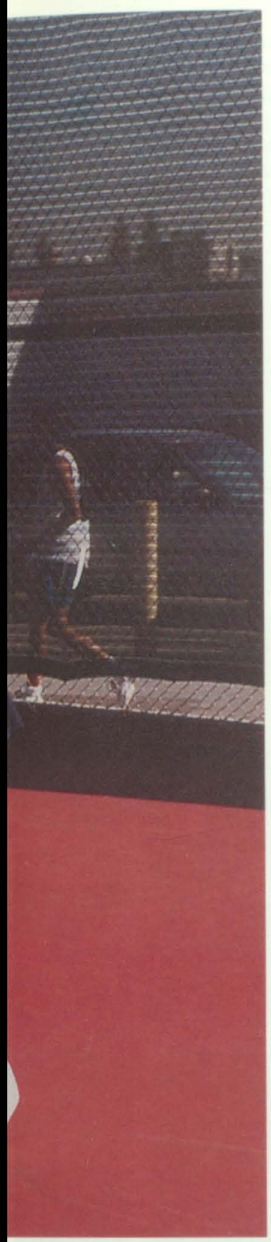
"Our doubles began to get in the swing of things in the second half of our season. This really started to help us slaughter teams like the Washington Huskies, who beat us in the first half of the season." Ashley said that she would miss their number one doubles team, Angela Joo and Irene Yuen. And Coach Kawamura says that he is trying to encourage the younger players of the team to pratice in the off season "so they can be a cornerstone to revitalizing the team for the future."

As a final note Ashley adds, "I still have high expectations for our team next year, and hopefully next year even more people will take interest in trying out. Go Lady Vikes!"

Front Row: Lydia Nguyen, Vishakha Singla, Pamela Hong, Ha Ly, Rina Menta, Sasha Obukhovshaya, Tuyet-Van Sansone. Second Row: Anika Godhwani, Melissa Lucero, Arpita Neelmegh, Elmma Pena, Alice Cho, Roshni Divate, Isra Abid, Catherine Leong. Back Row: Coach Seiji Kawamura, Coach Sharon Seresa, Erika Ramos, Grace Shaw, Virginia Huynh, Sarah Henry, Ashley Juenger, Angela Joo, Irene Yuen, Andrew Truong

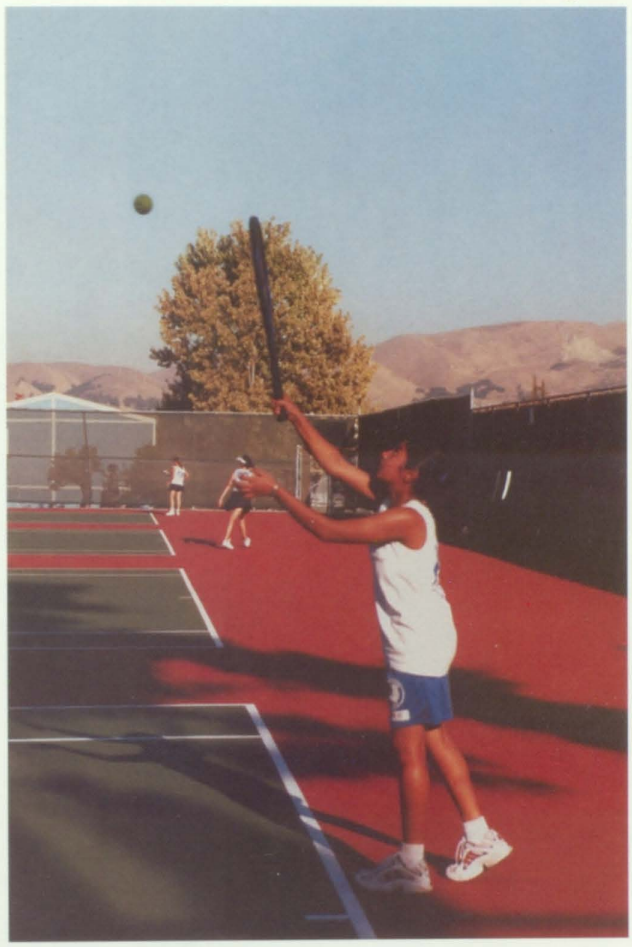


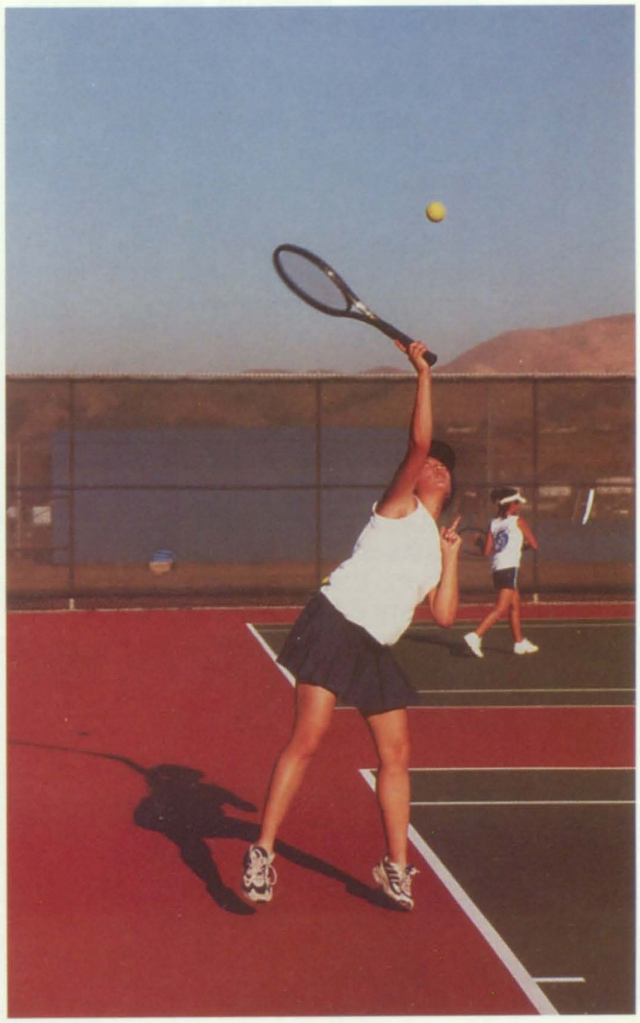
Constantly on her feet, Tuyet-Van Sansone has the constant endurance to hit any American ball that comes her way.

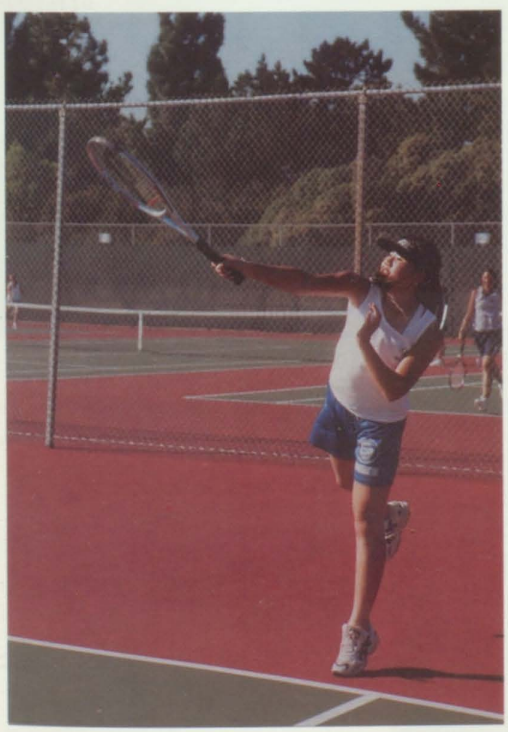


Angela Joo is warming up for receiving a serve from an American High competitor. She shifts from side to side, rushing the blood in her legs for a quick reaction.

Roshni Divate starts her set with a serve against a James Logan tennis player, at Irvington High School. Even though she's new to the team, she shows great devotion to her game.







Opponents	Score
Mt. Eden	3-4(L)
Hayward	6-1(W)
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Irene Yuen finishes her serve at the Irvington High School tennis courts. American High School is on the receiving end hoping and praying that they could dig Irene's vicious serve.

With her unique stance, Grace Shaw, fires a mean serve to her Huskie rival. Ms. Shaw's serve is one of the numerous reasons why the Irvington High School's girls tennis team succeeded this year.

Balance!

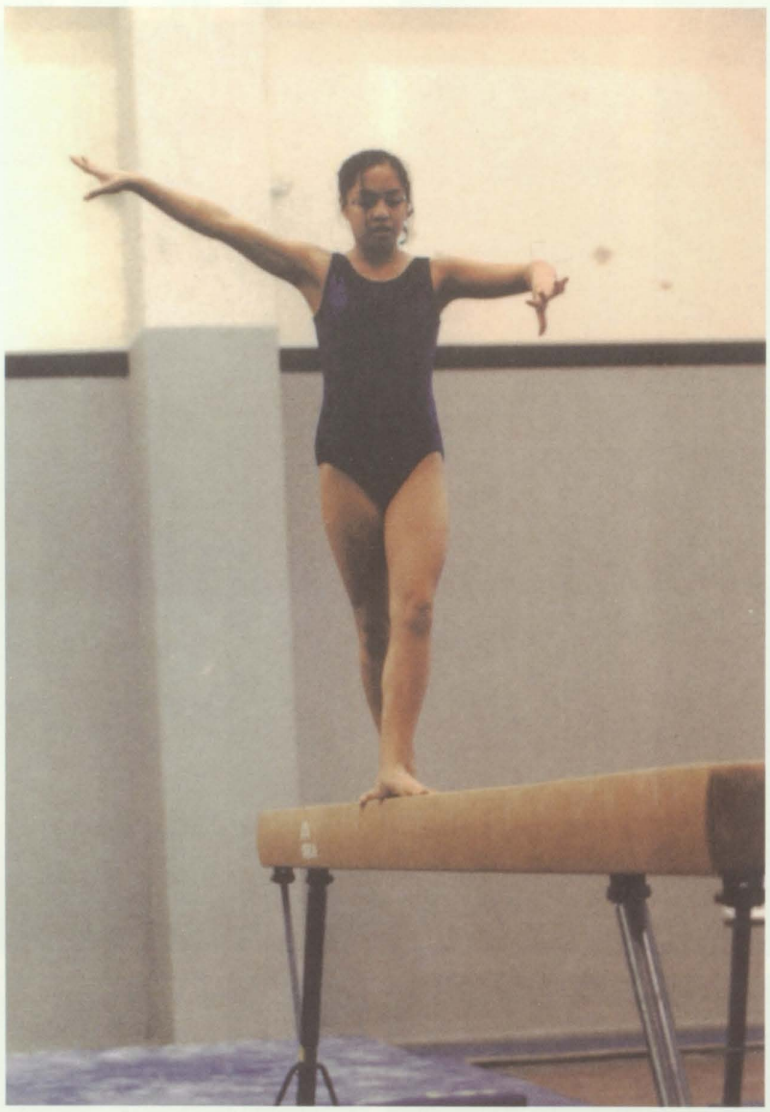
By Gina Furiosi

Most people don't understand how hard gymnasts work. Although many think that gymnastics is just flips and splits, it is hard and very athletically demanding. The girls on this year's team worked hard to get a team, and together they were able to make Irvington proud.

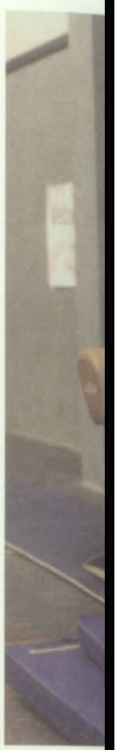
Gymnastics is a very demanding sport. Gymnasts practice almost every day to get strong on parallel bars, uneven bars, beam, floor, and horse. Not only must gymnasts be strong on their upper body to be able to support themselves during bar work and floor routines, the girls must be have good endurance for such long routines and practices. Not everyone can be a gymnast, only the most dedicated.

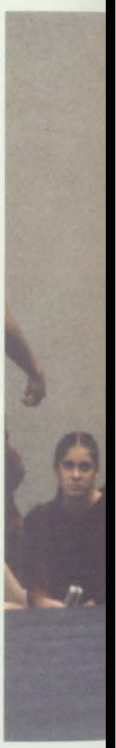
The first ever Irvington gymnastics team had practice everyday from 5:00 to 7:00 PM and had a meet every Wednesday. As the smallest of the gymnastics teams in the district, the Irvington team had the most drive by far to beat the best. Every Thursday, Irvington students awaited the bulletin to see how their strong team did the previous day.

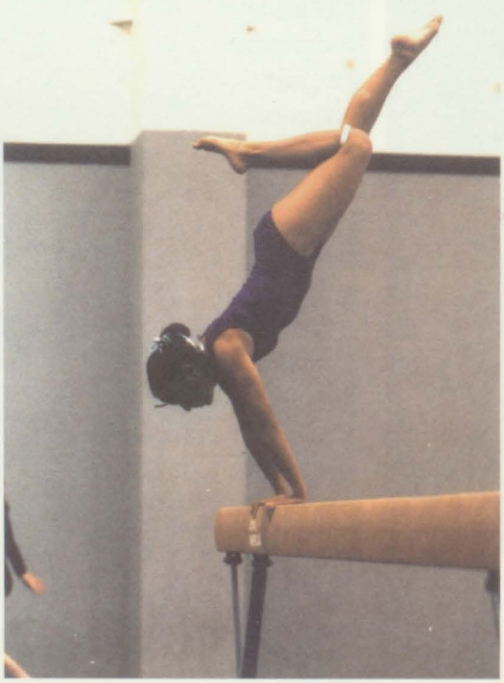
The Elite team was sophomore Trisha Abad, senior Nashana Kuruppu, and juniors Alyssa Nimedez and Christina Ryniewicz. They are definitely some of the best out there. Trisha took best overall and the team took first, second, third, and fourth overall at MVALs. The JV team had sophomore Gina Furiosi and junior Krystal Nzoiwu. They worked hard throughout the whole season. At the end of the season, the girls were able to do things that they would never had been able to do.



Krystal Nzoiwu runs as fast as she can and then leaps with the help of the spring to get over the pommel horse to make first place. She has to make a perfect landing to get first place.



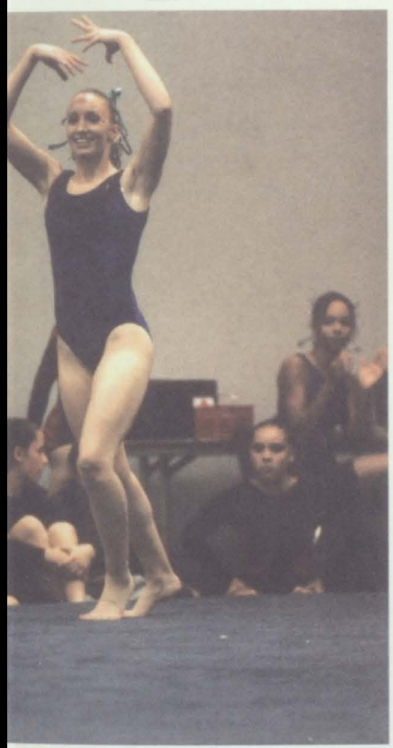




Alyssa Nimedez tries to maintain her concentration while on the balance beam. If she were to fall she would lose points that might cost her the win.

Trisha Abad shows off her strenghth by holding herself up with her hands on the balance beam. She tries to impress the judges along with the crowd.

Cristina Ryniewicz takes a great leap into the air to make a split, because that is what her routine has set up for her. To Christina it is nothing, because she is a well-experienced gymnast.



Christina Ryniewicz gives off a finishing salute with a nice smile to show her judges that she is done. She deserves a nice rest after performing her routine with everything she had.

Front Row: Krystal Nzoiwu, Trisha Abad. Back Row: Alyssa Nimedez, Nishana Kuruppu, Christina Ryniewiez.

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Logan	Win
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PIN!

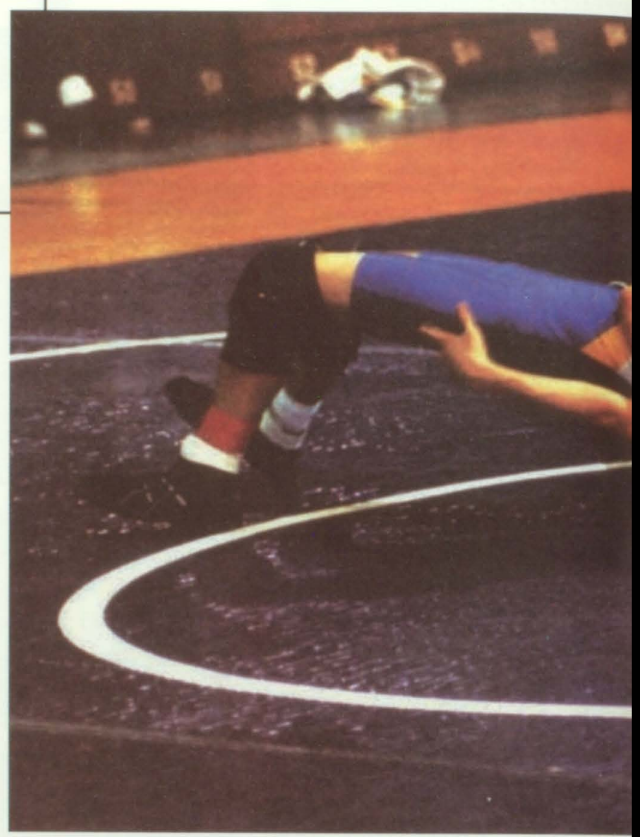
By David Aquino

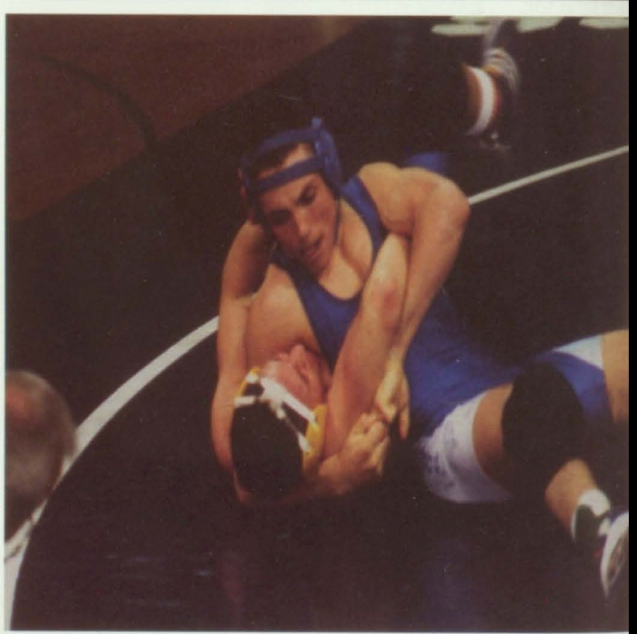
Wrestling is a very difficult sport. Most athletes come home with bumps and bruises, while others come home with the feeling of victory in their hearts. There is a lot of hard work involved such as workouts and practices. However the ability to cause pain for your opponent more than makes up for all the hard work you do.

One wrestler, Natasha Fitzgerald, decided to be a part of the 2002 JV team. She goes through a lot of hard work and struggle to come out on top in a match. "Wrestling is one of the toughest sports I have ever done. It makes me happy to compete just like one of the guys!" Being the only girl on the team is a little frustrating, because the guys expect a lot from just one person. One reason why Natasha joined the Wrestling team is she lost 25 lbs. So other girls should think about what they can do to lose that excess weight.

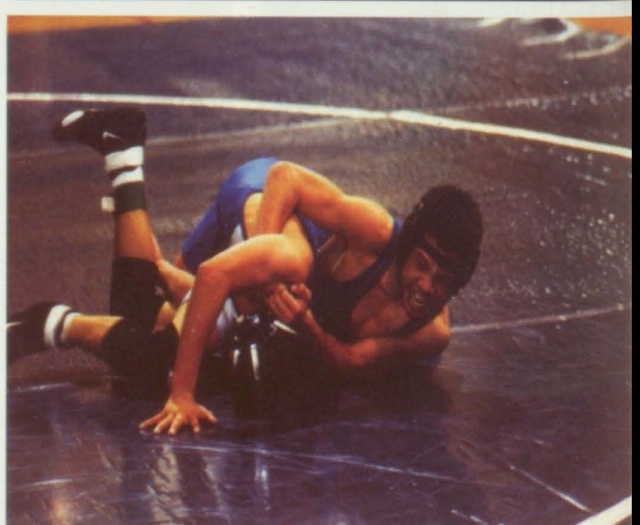
Albert Sandoval said, "I have scored touchdowns, made goals, but nothing comes close to a victory in a wrestling match!" Albert has been on the team for the last four years. He knows all the maneuvers and the little tricks to make a pin. The team calls him "A-Train." With this being his last year, Albert has decided to go out with a bang, and treat every match as though it was his last match. Of course Albert has lost a few matches here and there, but you learn from your losses. That's why he is such a great competitor.

This year we came out on a tough start, but we came out strong! That's why the Irvington Vikings are the strong willed athletes that we are. There will be no other team like this, because some of the greats are going off to college, such as Albert Sandoval, Frankie Beccerra, J.D. Piche, etc. Without them, most of the other players wouldn't be where they are today, thanks to the older players' experience and wisdom.

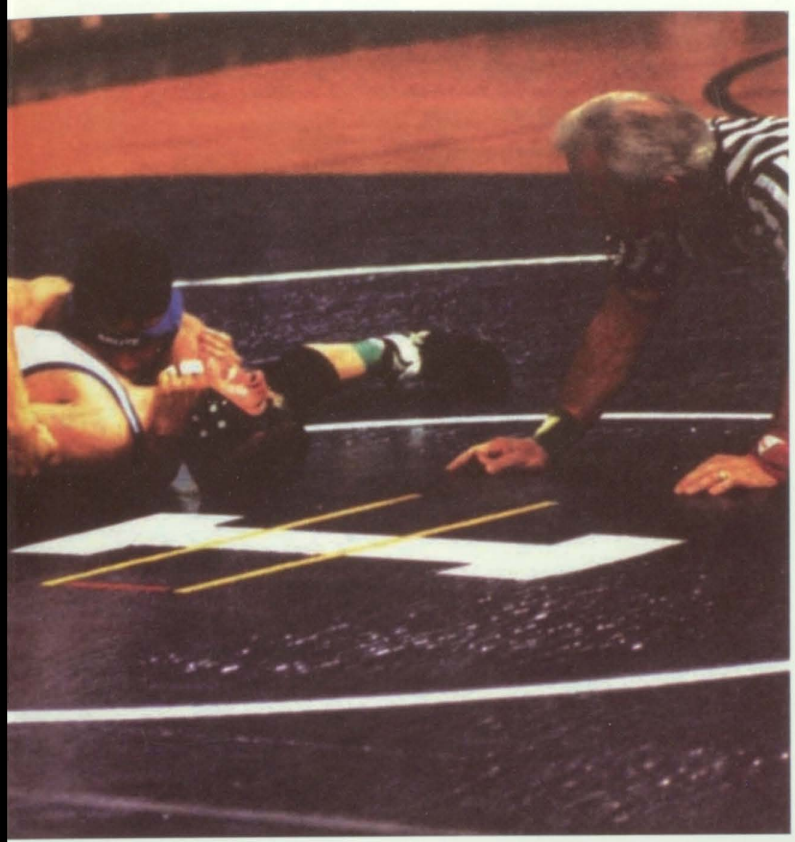




Looking into the eyes of his opponent, Frankie Buccerra tries to keep him down for the pin. With a match like this you never know who will win.

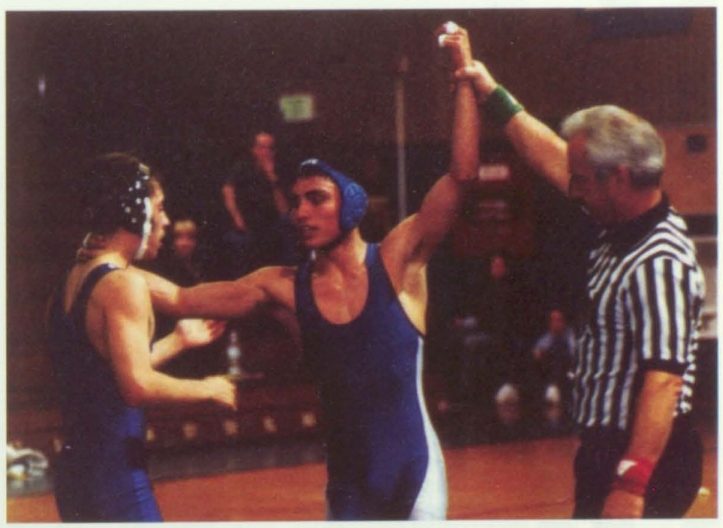


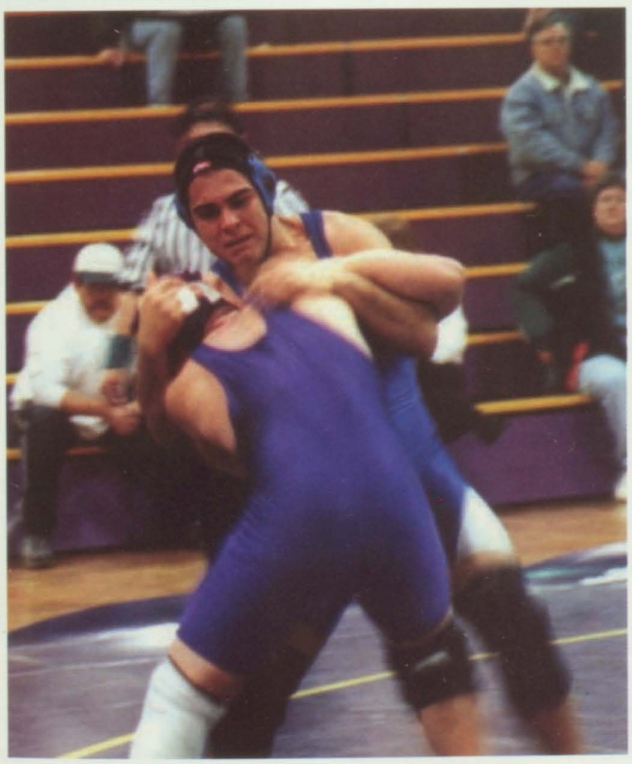
Using all his strength, freshman Harold Suminguit Forces his opponent into an arm hold for the win. With little time left, his opponent can only stay in the hold and lose.



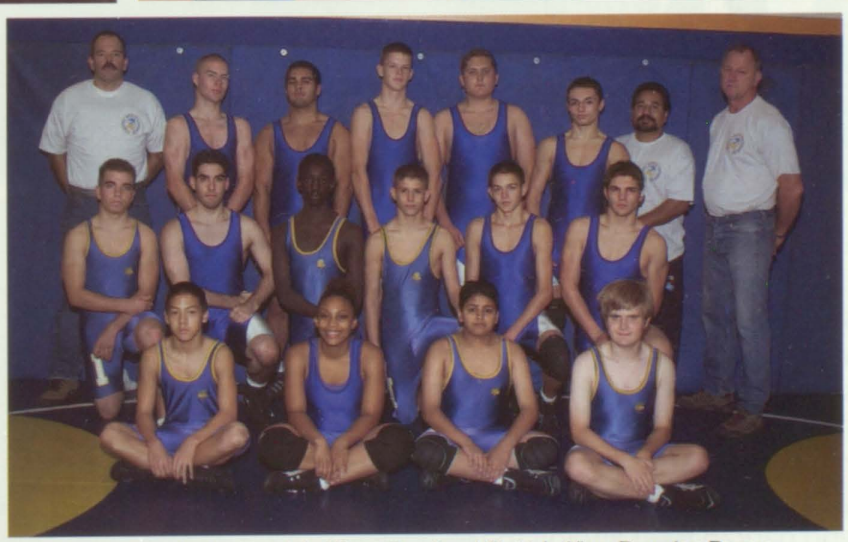
Matt Smith slams down a Newark wrestler. He does it with such force it makes his opponent yell for the referee.

Talon Bautista wins a difficult match. As such a good sport, he gives thanks to the opposing wrestler.





Albert Sandoval struugels to take down the Newark player. Half way into the match both wrestlers are very tired, but neither one of them wants to lose.



Back: Coach Stark, Jon Zmolek, Albert Sandoval, Patrick Allan, Brandon Bogue, Frankie Becerra, Coach Art Flores, Coach Bill Choate. Middle: Jared Fiance, Curtis Steckel, Daniel Oden, Tommy Edwards, Daniel Becerra, Tom Becerra. Front: Sonny Suminguit, Natasha Fitzgerald, Reza Bahadur, Kyle Snyder.

Viking

By Marissa Nichols

After the stress of high school, there's nothing better than working out with girl's varsity soccer. Out of the three years that I've played soccer for IHS, I've never seen a better team than this year. Girls on the team get along and hang out on and off the field. That camaraderie helps in a big way when playing against other teams. During our practices, we're constantly joking around, which frustrates our coach, but we get it together in the end. When you make a nice shot or a good play you'll always hear praise. Even when someone's not playing their best, the girls don't put each other down.

We even made it to the O'Shaonessy playoffs! We couldn't have gotten their with out the help of the awsome defense of Kali Delzompo, Ashley Juenger, Lynee Sanute, and the unstoppable goalie Candis Schrodetzki. The offence who tore up the opponents defense: Sara Fernadez, Briean Piexoto, and Jessica Jhinnu. And the midfielders we couldn't do without... Kendra Sakuda, Elise Galdin, Pam O'Neill, Ami Petal, and myself, Marissa Nichols.

Every player contributes something to the team. We also have dirty freshmen, Candeski, Sparkles, J.I., Spam, "K", Ash-cheeks, Isa, Fan, Ly-Nee, Leecy, Jess, Legs, Bri, Dra, and Ah-me. These girls are awesome players and people, and it definitely shows!

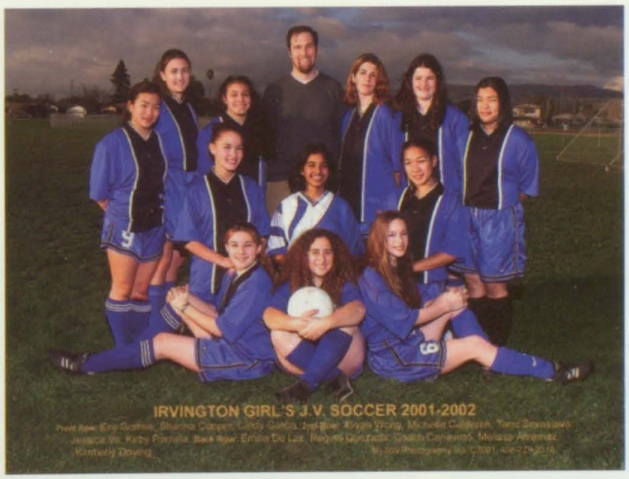
Near the end of the second half, Michelle Calderon pushes herself for her team, to pull through and win.

Working together as a team our varsity girls, along with a few Cougars, attempt to position themselves for a good offensive play.

Kim Doying shuffles a quick pass to Amanda Jonhson. Amanda then eeps control of the ball to better her odds in scoring.

While on defence Victoria Hill successfully attempts to steal the ball away from a Newark Cougar. Executing this play, kept Newark from making a goal.

Vanessa Peters surpasses the expectations of her opponents, by protecting the ball all the way to the goal.



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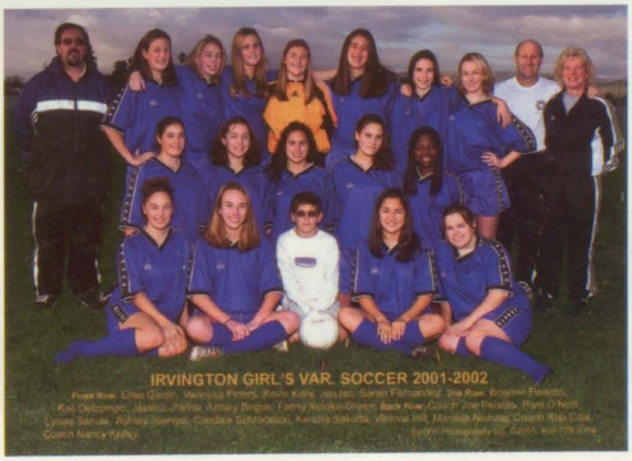

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Vixens

By Jesus Suarez

Hi, my name is Jesus Suarez and I play for the Irvington Varsity boy's soccer team. Soccer means a lot to all of the players because it takes a tremendous amount of dedication and practice. I chose to play soccer cause you have to make friends on the team to be that much better. And those friends that on the team may later help you in life.

Another reason why I chose to play soccer is because it was the most popular sport in the world. It is also a contact sport, and if you've never played it than you can't say no. At Irvington there is a junior varstiy and varsity team, and to me there is no difference between the two. I say that the only difference between the two is that J.V. prepares you to complete the tasks given to you when you make varsity.

Soccer made me feel like I was meant to be here in this world. When you win a close soccer game the feeling you get is the best feeling on earth. When you grow up you will still vividly remeber that day when you won that close game. And my teammates and I will have something to talk about when we meet in the future.

This year's soccer team is young. Out of the whole team, two seniors are leaving. Our coach didn't expect us to be one of the top teams, but he did expect us to be competitive. Not only were we competitive we caused a lot of big upsets. I feel that next year the boy's varsity soccer team will have a good chance to be the MVAL champions.

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Arturo Espinoza lines up for a powerful line drive, closely followed by a quick and agile opponent. Beating him by a couple of seconds, Arturo centers the ball perfectly for a goal.

With his speed and indurance, Mark Thayer is able to void all of the opposing defenders. With all the space open to him, Mark is able to set up for a goal.

IRVINGTON BOYS J.V. SOCCER 2001-2002

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Washington	W	T
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Being agresive, Nick Terry blocks a dominering kick that a Logan Colt put forth. Having quick feet and being a true defender Nick proudly manages to swipe the ball away.

While James Tran traps a ball, a Logan defender approaches rapidly. With the opposing player on his heals, James advantagiously gains controlto shuffle the ball across the feild.

James Tran, Toby Carothers, and Steven Hill make a "wall" to prepair for an indirect kick. With team work and adrenalin, these boys will have no problem defending their goal.

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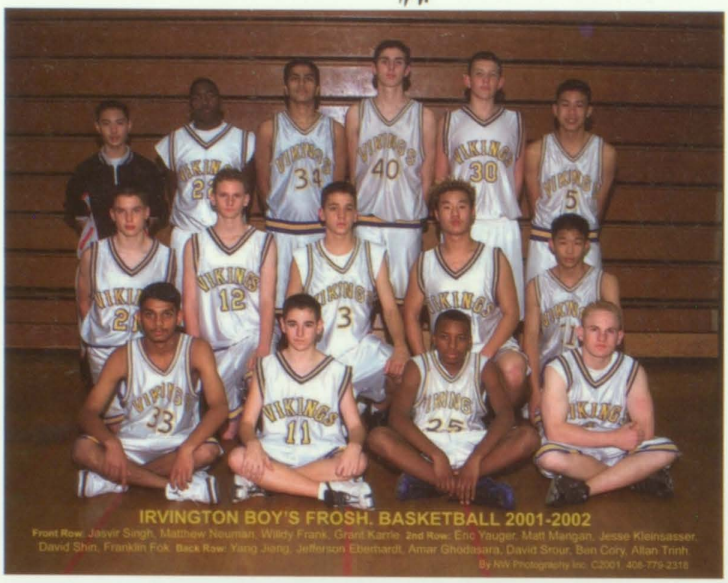

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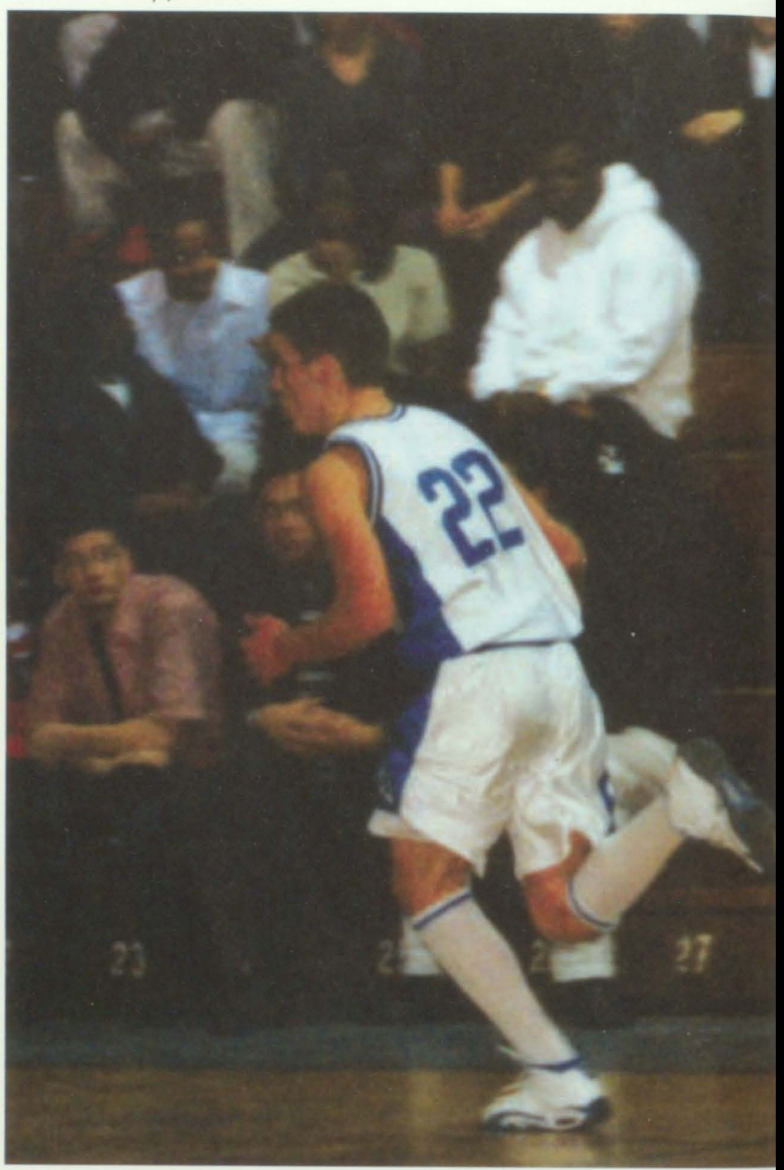

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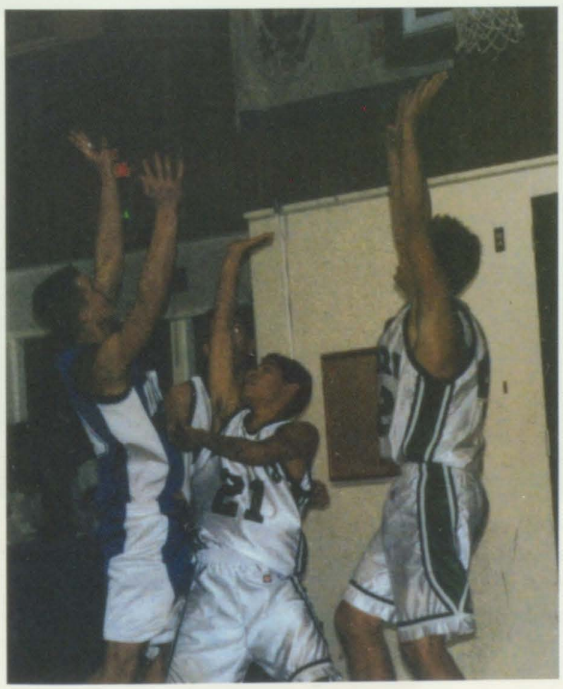

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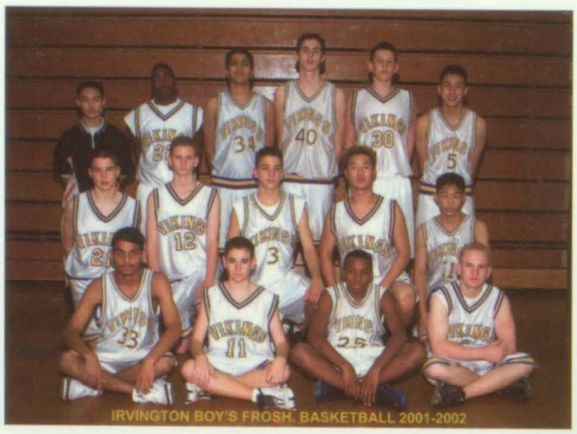

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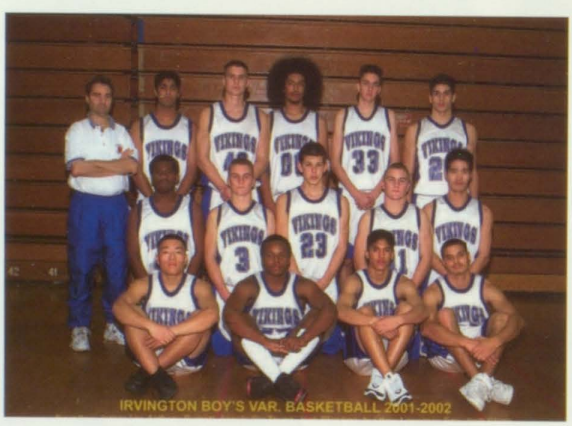

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Sweet Spot!

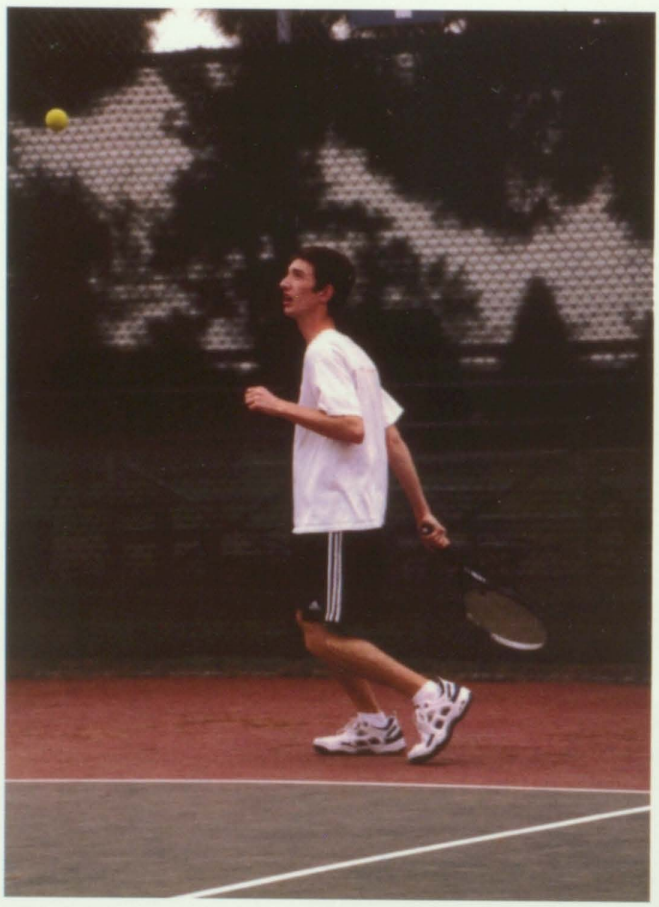
By David Aquino

Most people think that tennis is not a very entertaining sport. However just one point could mean a win or a loss! When you get down to the bone you see some really close competitions!, especially in doubles, which are two-on-two matches.

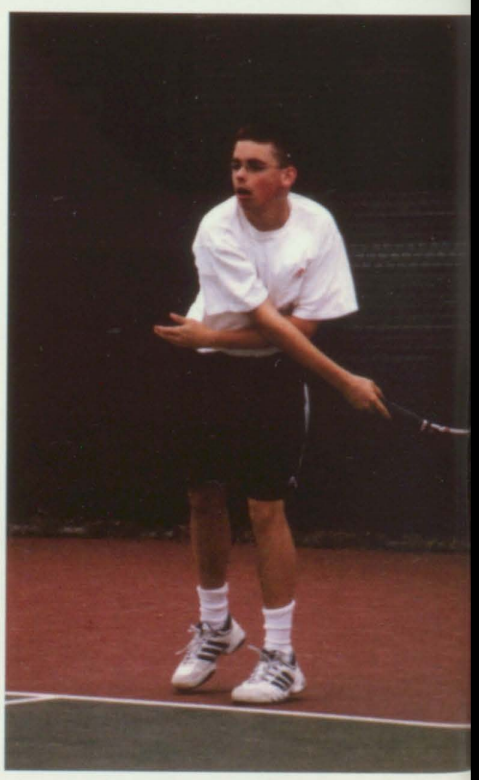
Even the practices are very tough, with two hours of drills, matches, and conditoning. There is a lot of hard work that goes into a match. With all the hard work that these players go through, they still have enough fun to beat other teams. Nothing comes close to a match that gets really tough!

Tennis has one of the most complex scoring systems of all sports. You have four points for each game, six games for each set, and 3 sets for each match. It may sound a little complicated, but you get used to it after a while. I highly recomend that you get to know the sport of tennis and the teams. It may prove very enlightening to learn about other types of sports and ways of play.

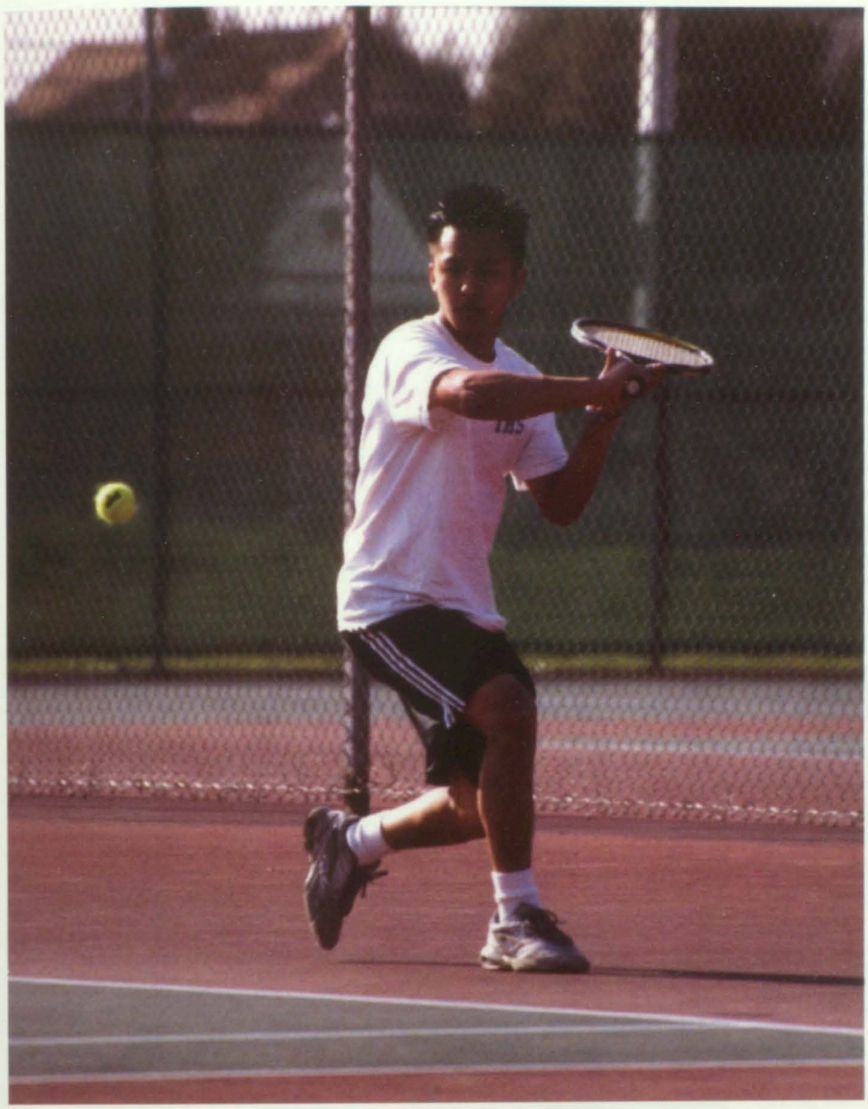
With his powerful overhand serve, Albert Fung,powers the ball over the net for the start of his match. You always know when Albert serves the ball, because the thwack rings out through the courts.

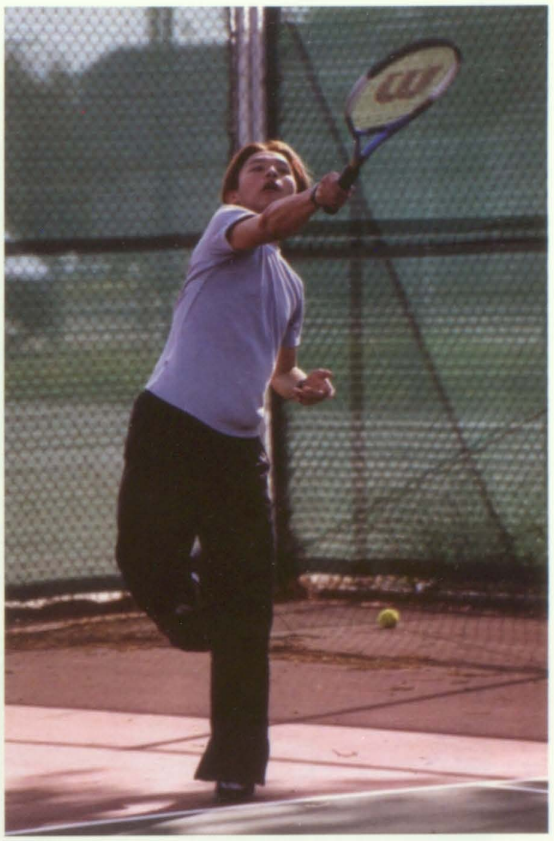


Alex Taguchi keeps his eye on the ball served to him by a Newark opponent. Knowing his court well, Alex already knows the ball is out.



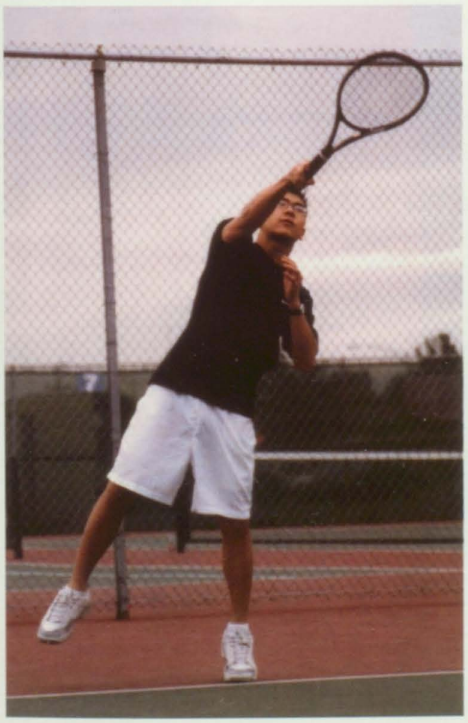
After serving, Chris Johnson follows through on his swing. Chris is happy with his outcome because with that serve, he put himself ahead of his competitor.





Steven Lai practices his overhand serve before his match against Newark starts. Hoping that his game would be successful, he practices harder than ever.

Andrew Troung whips out his mean backhand against a ball hit by an American player. This backhand led him to victory.



At the Irvington High tennis courts Chris Lay fallows through on his serve. Playing against American High, is hopeful that the serve would do him justice.

Front Row: Vishal Barishi, Eugene Ardissono, Chris Johnson, Punit Bavishi, Justin Wang, Brian Lee. 2nd Row: Randy Zhang, Joseph Kong, Andrew Truong, Leo Liberman, Jayaram Chandrasekar, Chris Lay, Steven Lai, Varun Patibanda, Steven Lai. Back Row: Coach Erik Bryant, Raman Bhatia, Alez Taguchi, Albert Fung, Kai Li, Leo Chan, Pavan Chopra, Irwin Lau, Coach Mary Ann Bryant.

Batter UP!!

Winding up for the pitch, Matt Johnson gets ready to strike out the batter. Strike THREE...he's out!!!

By Derek Hallett and Matt Crowell

Before the year started, both JV and varsity baseball were looking very promising for the upcoming season. Both had outstanding preseasons and trained hard.

We worked to get into the mix of things and to be ready for the games ahead of us and our coaches prepared us well. The varsity team is led by senior pitcher, David Redgrave, and sophomore pitcher, Matt Johnson. Other great standouts of the team include Zach Silvernale, Robert Standley, Alex Broom, Keith Aldinger and Sammy Cisneros.

Our JV team jumped out with a fast start and it didn't seem like we were going to slow down. This year was already showing signs of a fun year, much better than our previous years. John Mathias and Kenny Ng baffled the competition with their pitching duo. Matt Crowell, Derek Hallet, Johnny Hebison and Jason Cain lead our team when it comes to hitting, Other valuable members to our team are Corey Young, Tony Rego, David Parsons and Matt Teuscher. But behind all the outstanding talent on the team, Coach Eckler led us with the mind set that it takes a team effort in order to win.

All in all, this season turned out to be a huge a success for both JV and varsity teams. Our future teams are definitely going to be a dominant force in MVAL baseball.

With an excellent hit from Nick Rutchena, the Vikings are able to advance 3 bases and 2 points are added to the Viking score, giving them the lead over those American Eagles.

Front Row: Scott Holtog, Zach Silverwale, Chris Stage, Chris Walker. 2nd Row: Nick Rutchena, Sam Cisneros, Chad Archila, Rick McGuire, Alex Broom. Back Row: Kalani Kalawaia, Jason Witt, Robert Standley, Keith Aldinger, David Redgrave, Chris Arnaz, Joe Weems

Front Row: Matt Mangan, Sonny Suminguit, Jimmy Ballard, Dave Parsons, Tony Rego. 2nd Row: Corey Young, Michael Shoia, Mike Christensen, Matt Teuscher, Matt Crowell, Jesse Kleinsasser, James Smith. Back Row: Coach John Eckler, Eric Villalobos. Derek Hallett, Chris Cundeen, Jason Cain, John Hebison, John Mathias, Ken Ng.

Getting ready for the pitch, Keith Aldinger is ready for anything. Catcher is a tough position becasue if you don't keep your eyes on the ball it could cost you a stolen base or even a run.

Ready to steal the base, Matt Smith watches the pitch carefully. Being the only runner on the field, he has a good chance to make it to second base.

Home Run Hitters!

Watching the ball closely, Jessica Perkins is ready to hit a home run. Watch out Warriors better scoot back!

By Katie Winkley

Talk to most of the guys at Irvington, and they will say that softball isn't a sport. It's merely a fun activity for girls. I dare you to go and watch one of the 2002 Viking Softball games and I'm sure you will definitely change your mind.

Every one of the ten varsity and 11 J.V girls show heart and dedication to the game. Of course, there is plenty of fun mixed in, but working hard is a top prority for the girls.

Starting the MVAL season with a 2–0 record boosted our confidence after a shaky preseason, but we kept this momentum going through May. IHS varsity coach, Kim Martin, says, "We have small numbers but BIG talent!" Having a softball club with so much talent is sure to pay off, if not this year then in the years to come for sure.

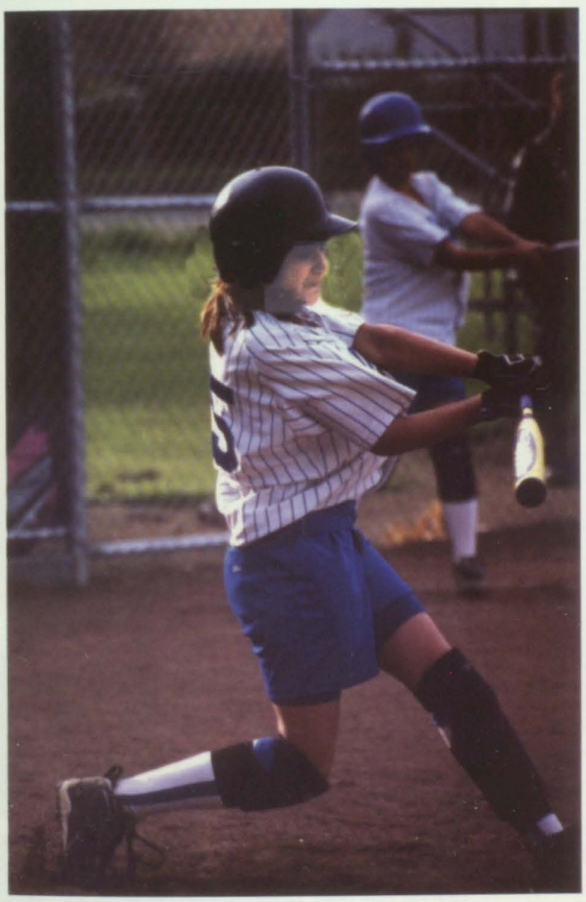
For these Lady Vikes, each time they step onto the field is a personal challenge to prove that they are the best, and so far they are stepping up to the plate (literally) and proving that IHS Viking Softball is number one.

First Row: Amanda Mooney, Christy Humphreys. 2nd Row: Joanne Kabariti, Erin Strong, Brie Peixoto, Lilian Shaw. Back Row: Krishelle Torrez, Amanda Moratta, Melissa Hill, Coach Rhonda Gardner, Amanda Drummond, Jennifer Rutchena, Rosalina Gonzalez.

Front Row: Desiree Springs, Katie Winkley. Second Row: Jessica Perkins, Jessica Jimenez, Katie Maria, Amanda Winkley, Ali Bush. Back Row: Coach Rick Maria, Natalie Garcia, Katie Dudgeon, Jessica Smith, Coach Sandy Silva, and Coach Kim Martin.

Making the throw to homebase, Krishelle Torres trys to throw out the runner, who slid into home. Luckily, The ball got there before the runner did.

Showing off her excellent bunting skills, Erin Strong fakes out the first baseman with an excellent bunt to third and is able to get on base for a chance to score for the Vikings.

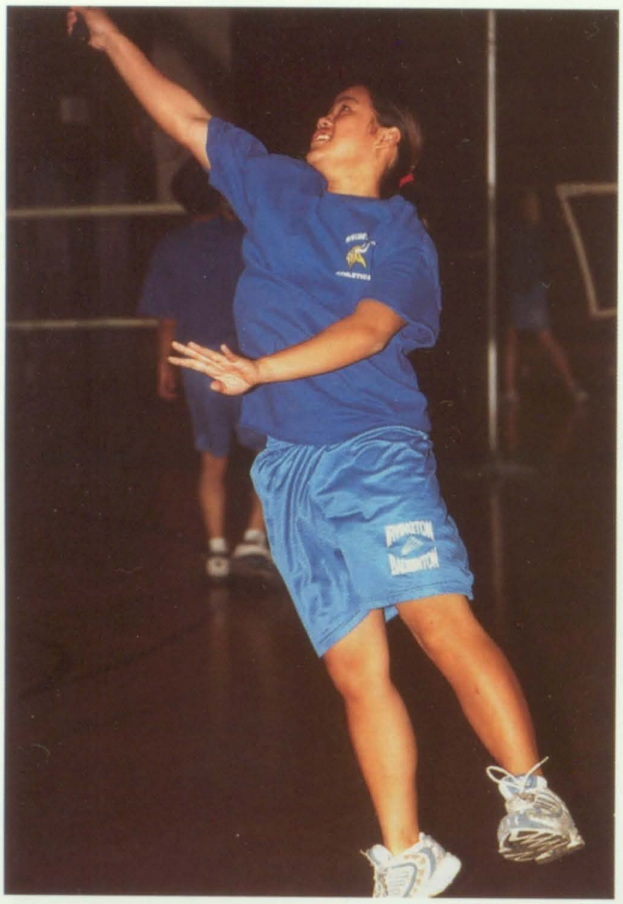


Freshman Amanda Winkley watches the pitch intently and is able to pick up the ball with great ease and tag the runner out.

With an excellent double from Amanda Drummond, the Vikings are able to advance 2 bases and score a point against the Kennedy Titans.

With a few pointers from Ms. Martin, our var– sity Lady Vikes get pumped up for another inning against the Washington Huskies

Shaggin' Birds



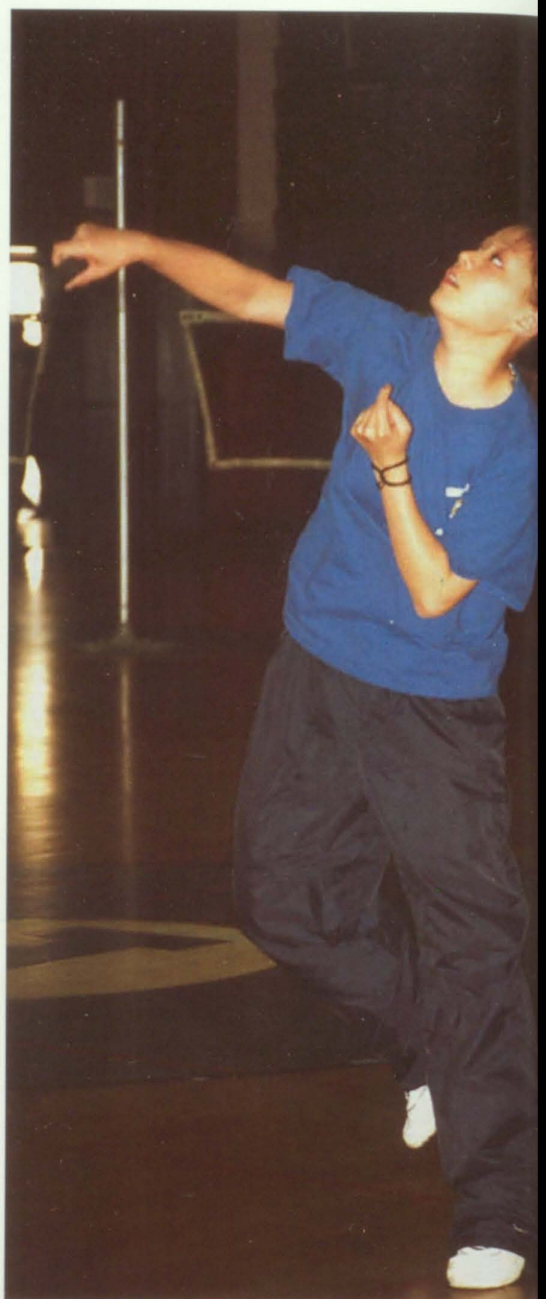
Mel Fontanilla gracefully leaps into the air to smack the birdy coming her way. She hits it back to her opposition in hopes that she will be able to score.

By Joshia Chang

With the smallest team in eight years, the Vikings were still able to maintain their position as fourth in the league and have even more players in NCS than last year.

These Vikings had to spend most of their pre-season practice in the small gym; with almost 60 players, they had to play in shifts. Most of the varsity players were four seniors and all of them played at tournaments. Irvington held two successful tournaments that gathered people from around the Bay Area including four schools from Stockton.

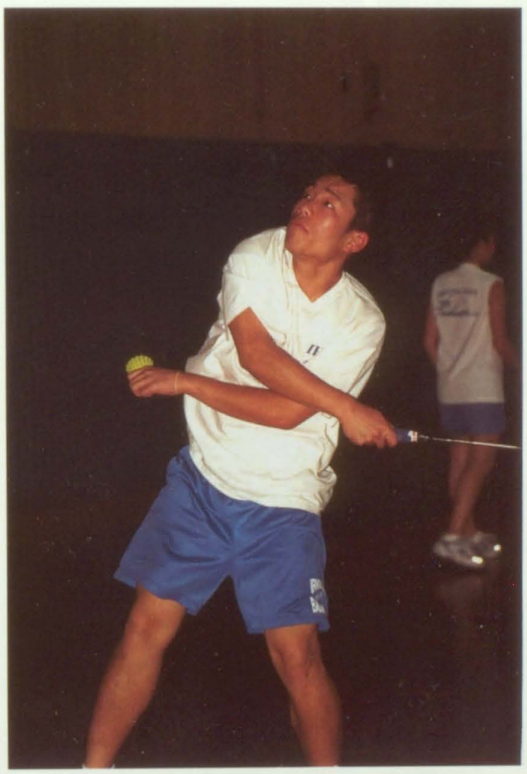
This year MVAL's were held in our main and auxiliary gyms. Robin Basra placed third in boy's singles, Teresa Boe and Dorothy Lee placed second in girl's doubles. While Karen Chan and Mani Jassar placed second in mixed doubles. The badminton team worked hard all season and were able to enjoy their tradition of International Day after the season was over.



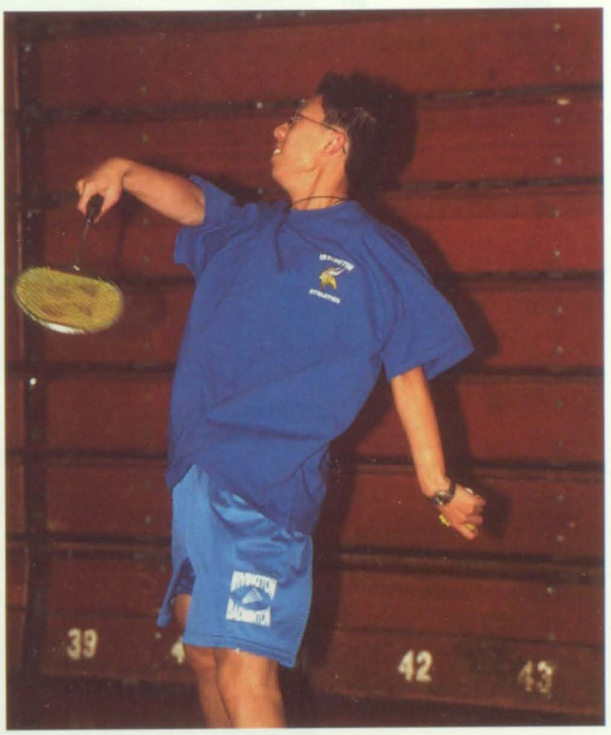
Serving the birdy is a hard thing to do, but for varsity player, Teresa Bae, it comes naturally. Having been on badminton before, she knows what is expected by Coach Strout.

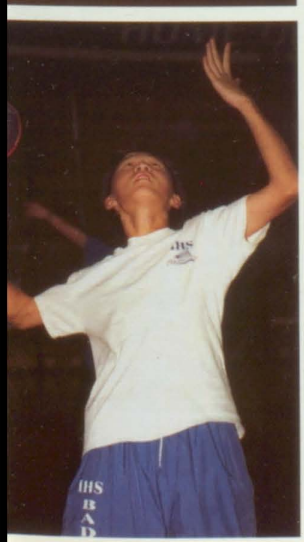
Haoyang Liu throws the birdy to serve it against a Newark player. He succeeds in getting the point and serves it back

James Liu practices his serves before his match in IHS's gym against Newark. Great form James!



Andrew Yung watches the birdy as he practices his serves. By his followthrough, it seems he manages to serve very well.





Front Row: Katherine Sese, Linda Le, Sandra Jo, Rosanna Huang, Janey Lee, Mani Jassar, Karen Chan, Vicky Lao, Katherine Tadina, Kate Luo, Joshia Chang. 2nd Row: Yurika Vu, Jenny Lee, Mel Fontanilla, Teresa Bae, Natalie Lee, Nicole Chan, Jennifer Hsu, Amy Cook, Dianne Go, Tiffany Prajudha, Karen Yan, May Mei. 3rd Row: Ben Ho, Ariane Wu, Jennifer Chan, Mirna Tarazi, Linda Su, Dorothy Lee, Renee Wong, Ksenia Evdokimova, Shelley Chang, Carissa Messah, Jessica Tang, Ha Pham, Elisarah Sudharmadji. 4th Row: Asst. Coach Ritesh Patel, Asst. Coach Jowell Jacinto, Tim Cao, Richard He, Somnath Suresh, Ankit Agarwal, Stanley Hung, Julie Hou, Rowena Fung, Kevin Chow, Vinginia Huynh, Elysia Messah, Kevin Ger. Back Row: Asst. Coach Daniel Sipsy, Robin Basra, Cliff Xu, Nhan Nguyen, Matt White, Kyle Warmack, Drew Raboy, Haoyang Liu, Gary Ta, Russell Rose, James Liu, Coach Steve Strout.

Up to Par!

Being a veteran of golf for more than two years, Noah Salazar shows great precision in his golf swing.

By Holly Martinez

Golf is a game of prestige, finesse, and patience. There are several golf clubs that you need such as, irons, putters and drivers. There are also several components that golfers need to take into consideration when golfing. Factors such as wind direction, wind speed, the bunkers or sand dunes, and the natural terrain of the golf course.

The players of Irvington High Schools golf team learn and develop their skills while practicing at the Fremont Golfing Range and playing mostly at Sunol Valley Golf Club. Their coach, beloved former science teacher, Seiji Kawamura, helps the players along, giving them certain swing strategies and overall game tactics.

Some players have little experience while others have been enjoying golf for over five years. Golfers such as Noah Salazar and Devang Bhuva, who placed second and third in MVALs, are veterans. And although they have a small team, the IHS golf team has achieved a tremendous amount in very little time.

Left to Right: Liz Choo, Devang Bhuva, Noah Salazar, Daniel Chung, Miguel Manasala, Mathew Neuman, Jennifer Chu.

Practicing her golf swing, Liz Choo preps herself to hit the ball. As this is her second year on the team she is ready to smack that ball 300 yards.

Keeping your eye on the ball is key in any sport, but especially so in golf, when the ball is so small. That is exactly what Matt Neuman is concentrating on.

Hoping to be on the team next year, Jennifer Chu practices with IHS golf to improve on her skills.

Miguel Manasala follows through in a perfect stance after hitting the ball. Traveling past the 250 mark, Miguel is quite satisfied with his accomplishment.

The final stretch of any race is always the part with the most adrenaline and stress. For John Dooley, the final stretch meant one last hurdle to win the event.

Seeing the end of the track, Abigail Galloway feels an extra burst of energy as she races toward the finish line. As she is a senior, each meet had more importance to her than in previous years.

Many people cannot even begin to fathom why one would join the track team, as running is not the easiest sport to excel in. Jessica Jhinnu seems to be doing a pretty good job as she blows the American team away.

IHS Speed Demons

After the blow of the gun to start the race, Jonathan Aquino runs as fast as he can in order to make it to the finish line first. Unlike cross–country, track is not a good sport to pace yourself in, since there is less of a distance to go.

By Ashley Juenger

This past year our track & field team has totally bonded. We have a huge team and it is really great because at every meet there are tons of Viking fans and Viking athletes cheering for each other, it really shows our true Viking spirit. It's great!

I pole vault and long–jumped this year and all of our coaches were totally awesome. We are the only school with five different coaches and it really has helped us get one on one instruction and become better athletes mentally and physically.

Next year is going to be hard because IHS is losing many great senior athletes. We will miss them, but we also have a lot of talent on the the rest of the team. Also, this past year the under classmen were really valuable when it came down to scor–ing those extra points to help win the meets.

Front Row: John Dooley, Steve Miller. 2nd Row: Tim Camara, Robert Noakes, Chris Randolph, Michelle Calderon, Christi Baird, Allison Idi, Jessica Jhinnu, Jen Iso, Trisha Abad, Tony Chan. 3rd Row: Chris Cobb, Dane France, Chris Sotameyr, Miguel Sandoval, Abigail Gal–loway, Lindsay Meyer, Ashley Duerr, Staci Lopes, Jake Stone, Angelo Siu–Toung, Chad Freeman, Josh Stone, Will Mivanda. 4th Row: Coach O'Neil, Coach Wayne Stone, Nissa Baga, Elise Galdin, Amilia Delacruz, Ashley Juenger, Carrin Flores, Amanda Robinson, Jayne Law, Lynee Sanune, Nick Terry, Catherine Nyngn, Sarah Coelo, Kimmy Manos, Pvan Tricutan, Daniel Arno. 5th Row: Jen Iso, Linda Pham, Fanny Koloko–Green, Arina Ivanova, Ariana Chann, Krystal Azoiwu, Amanda Robinson, Pam O'Neil, Heather Driscoll, Sarah Henry, Pamela Hong, Chris Smith, Anthony, Jimmy Hoana, Coach Kalawia, Danny Farmer, Coach Lewis. 6th Row: Jeremy Lenord, Anthony Tadina, Umang Patel, Tony Chan, Hasah Miserghi, Jazmine Hsu, Brandon Martin, Lydia Yang, Carol Lieu, Erin Stuart, Sekia Willis, Nicole, Kiesha Ingram. Last Row: Jesus Suarez, Albert Sandoval, Ian, Tommy, Hung, Shaan Nowerton, Frank Yilaiz, Jeff Zmoleck, Patrick Herden, Raymon Kohli, Chuck Durrem, Chris Zurita.

Splash!

By Jennifer Sewell

I enjoy swimming because of the confidence and spirit of competition it can instill within you. When I'm in the water working out, it's one of the times when I feel most in charge in my life. Under the surface, when you push off the wall to do few laps, the sounds of cars rushing by and nagging thoughts of homework and other worries melt away with the muffled quiet of the waves. It's just you and the water, after a long day at school the solitude can be quite welcome.

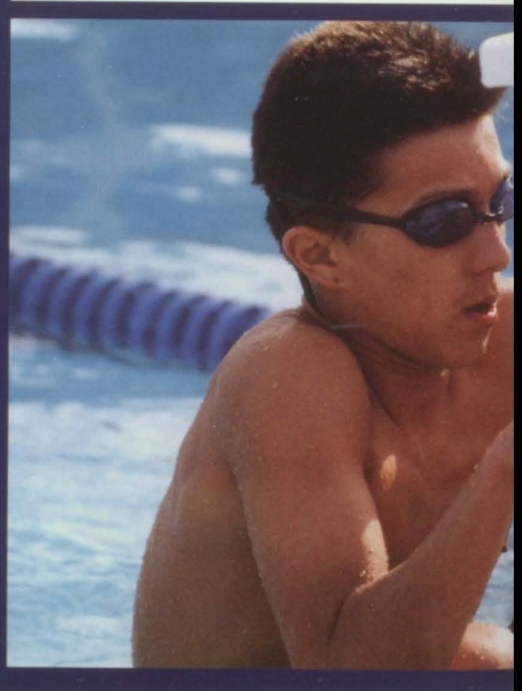
However, you don't relax in the water; when you swim, you can cut through the waves with a grace and speed unachievable on land with its awkward and imprisoning gravity. You are free to concentrate on your goals and work without any outside distractions, which is why swimming can be considered as much a mental as a physical sport. Your attitude and how you approach your events can greatly influence how you do, since you are basically alone with your thoughts in the water.

IHS's Varsity swimmer, Kelsey Roldan, competes against her Washington High opponents at the breaststroke in the IHS pool. Roldan was the second swimmer in the Varsity 200 relay.

Robert Pierce sets up at the diving block for the varsity boys 200 medley relay. Pierce is preparing to swim the back stroke, breast stroke, butterfly, and freestyle.

Despite the introspective influence swimming has on a person, you always remember that you are a part of a team where everyone's efforts count. Not only that the competition that makes you push yourself to the best of your ability but the companionship you share with others working equally as hard for their own goals makes swimming an exciting and fun sport to participate in. Being part of a community that supports one another in their pursuits to become better athletes gives you a sense of belonging and friendship that cannot be achieved anywhere else.

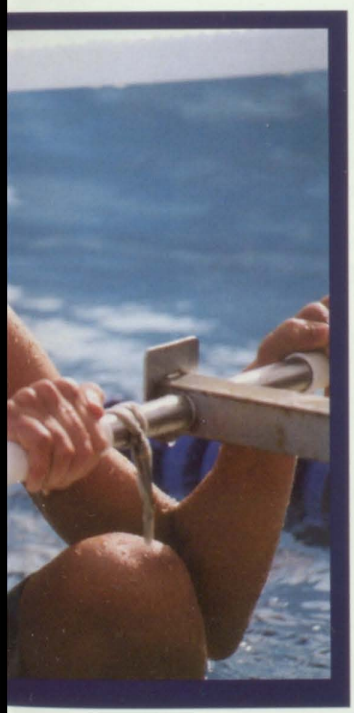
Junior varsity breaststroke swimmer, Percy Lai, swims in lane 3 at Irvington High's swimming pool. Competing against Newark Memorial, Percy intends to beat the Cougars in his individual event.



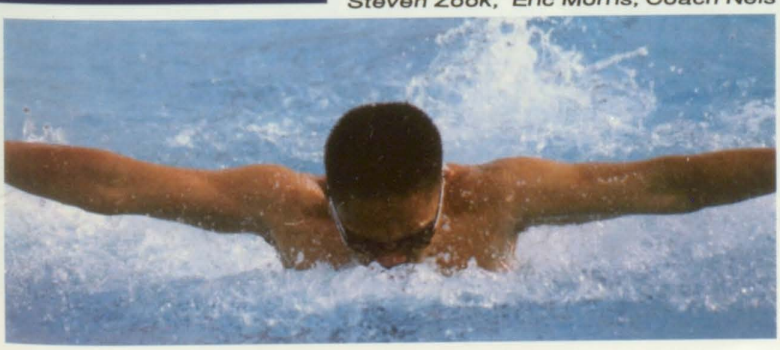
Lauren Avina, a junior varsity swimmer, is the fourth swimmer in the girls junior varsity 200 relay. Swimming free-style, Lauren pushes herself to be ahead of her competitors.

Swimming in lane 4 at IHS, Steve Zook swims the backstroke for the junior varsity boys medley relay. Zook was the second competitor in the event.

With perfect diving form, varsity swimmer, Jenisse Demeulenaere, gets off the block with speed. Competing at Newark Memorial High, her opponents include swimmers from MSJHS, WHS, JFKHS, NMHS and JLHS.



Front Row: David Torres, Bryan Alejandrino, Ashish Agrawal, Mike McLaughlin, Justin Wang, Chris Nguyen, Cody Buchanon, Andy Degregorio, Alfred Alejandrino, Nevin Murthy. 2nd Row; Nicole Ramsay, Reka Adorjan, Jennifer Sewell, Heather Piccolotto, Jamie Mangan, Melissa Kleinsasser, Kelsey Roladan, Ashley Kendall, Theresa Ferreira, Sara Fulk, Brittany Lovejoy, Kat Ashley,Jenisse De Meulenaere, Rachelle Bogue, Manlia Gaschion. 3rd Row: Jaclyn Sewell, Bommie Lui, Canny Chang, Lu Cheng, Sonia Murthy, Namrata Singh, Evelyn Lim, Lauren Avina, Megan Galloway, Aliyah Wong, Katie Scrivani, Regina Quezada. Back Row: Percy Lai, Toe Lwin, Matt Skelton, Robert Pierce, Jacob Twohig, Fabio Covey, Jeffrey Litwin, Steve Premean, Steven Zook, Eric Morris, Coach Nels Larsen.



Swimming the butterfly, Bryan Alejandrino slices through the water at Irvington. In perfect form, Bryan focuses all his energy on the 200 medley.

At the homecoming game in TAK stadium, the varsity spiritleaders rile up the enthusiastic croud at halftime. "Oh Mickey you're so fine, you're so fine you blow my mind, Hey Mickey... Hey Mickey."

While the Varsity Cheerleaders are practicing in the courtyard, the rest of the student body is anxiously waiting in the the gym for their spectacular performance. Being the first rally of the 2001-2002 school year, varsity gets ready to show off.

¡HS SPIRIT!

By Senchal Burks

Fellow Vikings. My name is Senchal Burks, and I am a varsity cheerleader. When I came to IHS my freshman, I was fascinated by the cheerleaders so much, I wanted to be one of them. During my sophmore year I tried out and made varsity. I had cheered before, but high school cheerleading was a big step up! On my first day, as rookie, I was a little scared. However all the other girls comforted me and made me feel just like one of the group.

Throughout the years I have learned that cheerleading takes a lot of hard work and dedication. It requires long hours of practice to prepare for half time, rally routines, and competitions. My favorite type of routine has always been the rallies. It gives the team a chance to show off what we have in front of our friends and school.

Another great thing that I love about cheerleading is cheer camp. It is the best chance to bond with our teammates, and meet other squads from all over the state. Even though it is a very stressful week with learning new routines in the intense heat, it gets everyone to learn about cooperation, and how we all need to do our part to make the rourtines the best!

As a senior, I can say that this year was one of the best years I have ever had. Throughout the years I have made lots of great friends and made some incredible bonds. With the help of cheerleading, I will be able to remember so much more after I go. I love every single one of the cheerleaders, and I will miss them all.

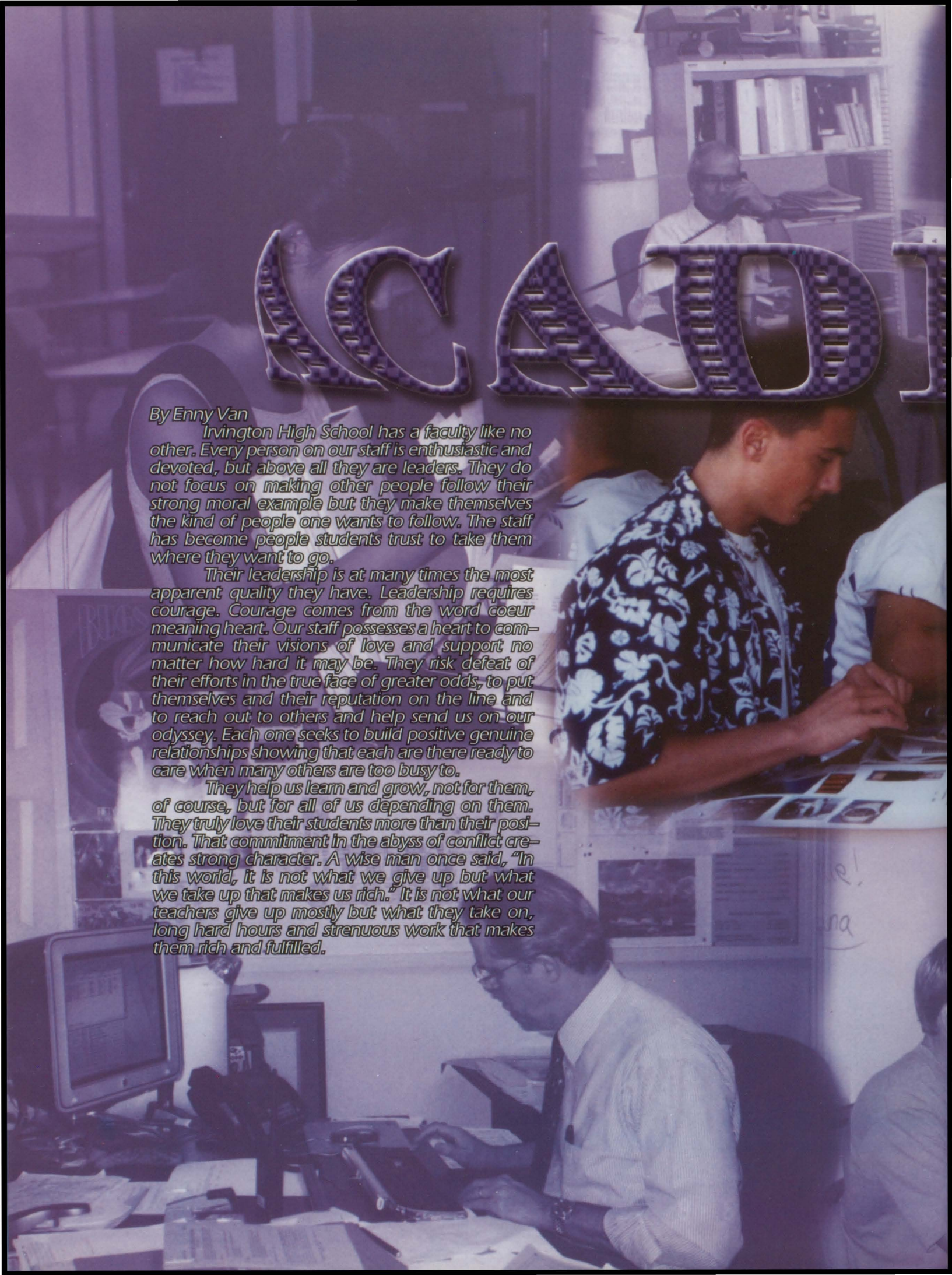
1st Row: Nicole Brooks, Carly Green. 2nd Row: Jillian Stoorza, Wendy Breen, Lisa Stoorza. 3rd Row: Ami Tregear, Leah Mosgrove, Andrea Hernandez, Lizette Marquez.

Sporting her new cheer jersey, Senchal Burks, gets ready for the football game that night. Doing what she does best and having fun with it, she puts on a powerful performance.

At Irvington High School, Junior Varsity Cheerleaders practice to show their support for the various sports at the Winter Sports rally.

1st Row: Senchal Burks, Candiss Miller, Melissa Mendez, Courntey Hamic, Crystal Green. 2nd Row: Cassandra Osgeuda, Diane Torres, Jennifer Nowell. 3rd: Venus Nihn, Bonnie Valentine, Marissa Calderon, Astrea Jaeger, Tabitha Harris, Monica Colagiovanni.

While practicing her dance routine, Jennifer Nowell, gets exited for that nigts game. Homecoming s where she gets to strut her stuff with the rest of her crew.



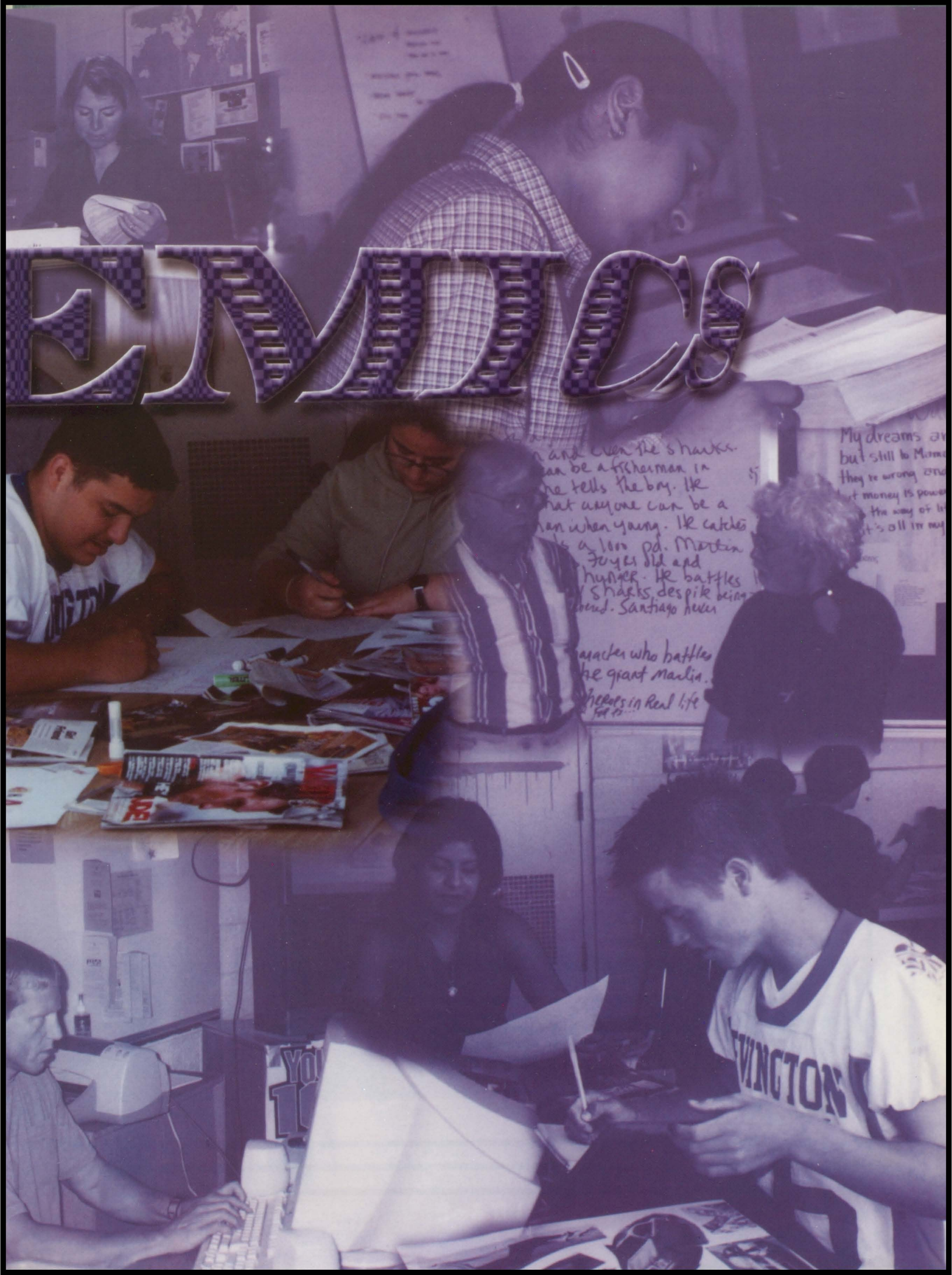
ACADE

By Enny Van

Irvington High School has a faculty like no other. Every person on our staff is enthusiastic and devoted, but above all they are leaders. They do not focus on making other people follow their strong moral example but they make themselves the kind of people one wants to follow. The staff has become people students trust to take them where they want to go.

Their leadership is at many times the most apparent quality they have. Leadership requires courage. Courage comes from the word coeur meaning heart. Our staff possesses a heart to communicate their visions of love and support no matter how hard it may be. They risk defeat of their efforts in the true face of greater odds, to put themselves and their reputation on the line and to reach out to others and help send us on our odyssey. Each one seeks to build positive genuine relationships showing that each are there ready to care when many others are too busy to.

They help us learn and grow, not for them, of course, but for all of us depending on them. They truly love their students more than their position. That commitment in the abyss of conflict creates strong character. A wise man once said, "In this world, it is not what we give up but what we take up that makes us rich." It is not what our teachers give up mostly but what they take on, long hard hours and strenuous work that makes them rich and fulfilled.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EXECUTIVE POWER

By Kyle Warmack

Papers are piled high upon desks that have seen no light for months. Keyboards must be dug from the detritus of files and scraps of paper, computer monitors must be found amid the mountains of bureacratic buildup, and the people who work with all this must be found in the maze of cubicles and offices and desks.

If you think that perhaps you've discovered a Silicon Valley cubicle hive, you wouldn't be too far off the mark; this is Irvington High School's main office. Here is where all the executive and bureaucratic power of the school resides. The offices of four principals, the cubicles of the secretaries, and Irvington's counselors are all here.

The place is filled with a perpetual hustle-and-bustle which pervades the small labyrinth of rooms. Office aides come and go, bringing memos and scanners; teachers shuffle through, carrying their master copies, which they will mercilessly replicate and distribute to their hapless students; counselors dispense their sage advice with great care only after deep meditation, and principals enforce the ordinances of the district with swipes of the pen, crackling orders given over the ubiquitous walkie-talkies, and stern lectures to those who violate the rules which guard the sanctity of this place of learning.

Welcome to Irvington High School's executive branch.

Mr. Bill Stull and Sarah Ives talk business in his office. Schedule changes like this one were major issues during the first two weeks of this school year.

English teacher, Mr. Dan Sipsy looks on as Mr. Dave Howell, VP, addresses a question from Shayon Baniani. No doubt our administration handled any problem with their usual efficiency.

Front Row: Cathy Hoyt, Joann Stooksberry, Donna Hartigan, Linda Kimmel, Kathy Gygax. Back Row: Violeta Nunn, Suzie Wittenberger-Cindy Lankford, Sueann Ramos, Sharon Flores, Carol Zmolek.

Front Row: Veronica Serrano, Leticia Velasco.
Back Row: Bob Franco.

Front Row: AP Karen Martens and Greg Bailey.
Back Row: Principal Pete Murchison, VP Dave Howell.

Inside Our Walls...

When you think of the staff here at Irvington you probably think of the teachers and office staff, but if we only had them this campus wouldn't function. Do you realize how important the janitors are? Or the cafeteria workers?

"We take care of cleaning everything the students and teachers use", says janitor Gloria,"and I love doing it."

The janitorial staff work to keep our campus clean and serviceable. They clean everything from bathro"They keep our school lemony-fresh." If we didn't have janitors we would be standing knee-deep in muck. The janitors are an important part to keep this school running.

What about the cafeteria workers they are just as important as the janitors, they sell food before school and during break and lunch. Could you imagine what would happen if they weren't here? Students would have to go across the street, where it is already pcked full of students, or starve.

If we didn't have support staff we wouldn't have functioning toilets, clean floors, fresh cut lawns, and accessible food. They do a lot of the grunt work and behind the scenes stuff that you may take for granted. But even with all the hard, boring, and disgusting stuff they do, they always have a smile on their face and a kind word to say. Thanks support staff.

Karen Hauzer serves some students while science teacher Ms. Sulakshna Singh makes up her mind. Teachers get to cut in line, but they still have to wait til there's a break in the student flow.

Lunchladies return to the cafeteria after the crowds are gone. One benefit of this job is that they're free in the afternoons.

Gloria De La Hoz tackles the trash situation after lunch. Cleaning up after teenagers is demanding, but she loves the students here.

Security officer Alex Smith is always hangin' with the guys, talking about nothing in particular as he keeps an eye on everything.

Captains of Commas

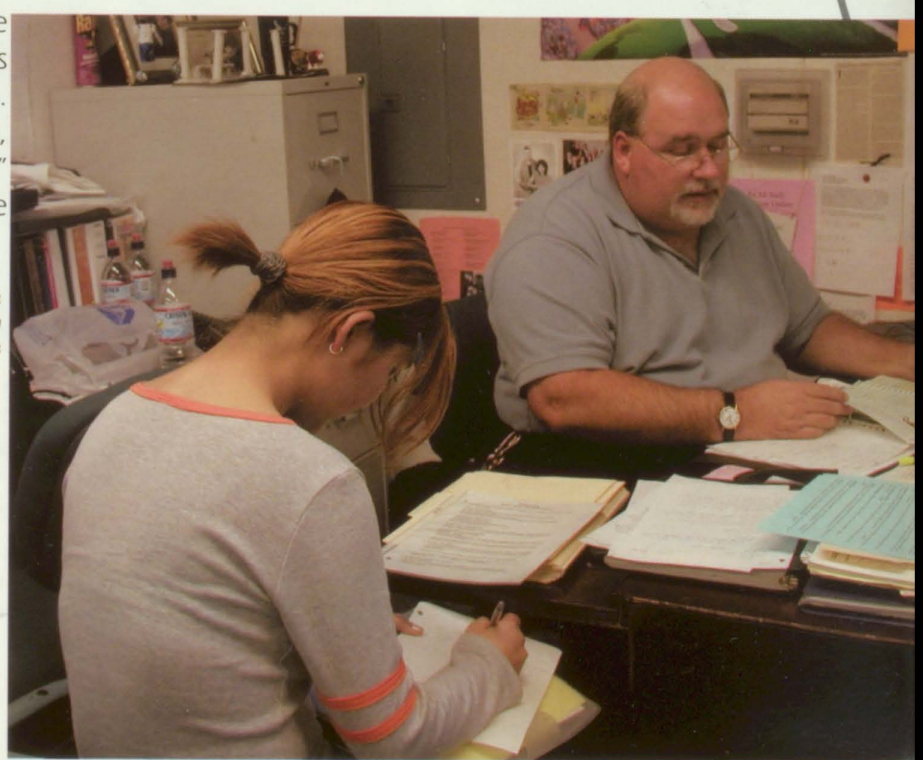
By Kyle Warmack

Commas. Periods. Apostrophes. Conclusions. Introductions. Transitions. Phrases. Spelling. Grammar. Juxtapositions. Comparisons. Writing.

This is what pops into most students' heads when the word "English" is mentioned. "Only in English can you have rules that don't apply," freshman Julia Green claims.

Contrary to popular belief, however, there are some out there who see English as something more. For some, English is a way to express themselves. They find joy in picking apart a passage, analyzing, understanding the various underlying concepts and usages that make the piece tick, why it makes people feel and think the way it does. They find meaning in exploring the nuances and usages of language to create an atmosphere in what they are writing.

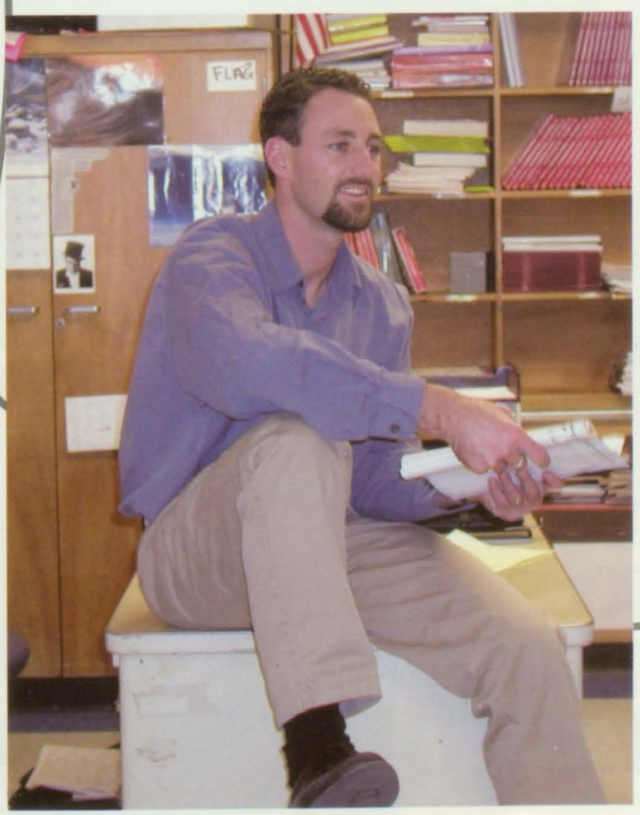
The best writing that English teacher Ms. Teri Hu has read in the last year were "papers where students reflect on what is important to them. If they care about what they're saying, the power of the writing is incredible." Perhaps those who enjoy English have something going for them after all.



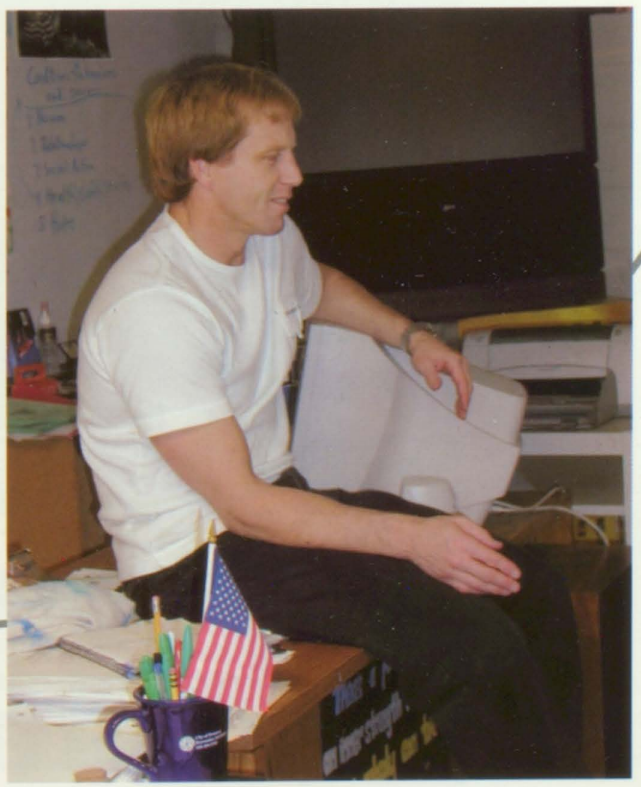
Mr. Daniel Sispy takes roll and helps a student at the same time. Mr. Sipsy often brings his personal experiences into his teaching.

Ms. Vicki Sargent's dynamic classroom style was sorely missed for much of the second quarter as she was out recovering from an automobile accident. It's good to see her back at school.

First Row: Teri Hu, Rebekah Wiedmann. Second Row: Elizabeth Ernst, Belinda Brackett, Luann Brazill, Melissa Antonnaci. Last Row:Bobby Spain, Mark Zeljak, Jaime Richards, Daniel Sipsy, Helen Perdue, Julie Samrick.



Mr. Mark Zeljack smiles at his class during a lesson. In addition to regular English, Mr. Zeljack also teaches English as a second language.

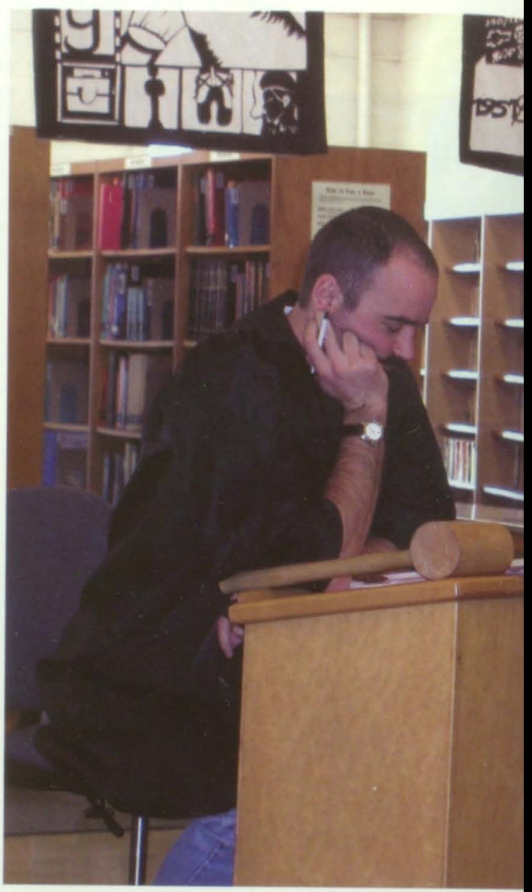


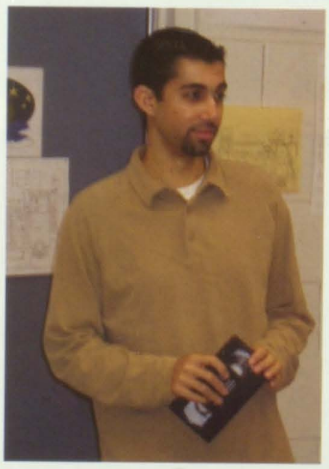
Mr. Jaime Richards talks to his class while lounging on his desk. Mr. Richards gives English a practical use, focusing on life's lessons.

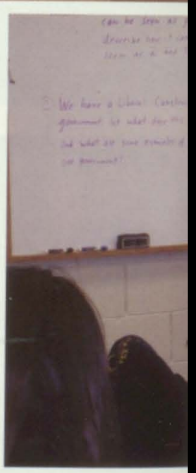
HISTORICAL RELEVANCE

American Studies History teacher, Mr. Nate Ivy, lends his judicious services to Ms. Jen Hillier's Humanities class during their Hamlet trial. Prosecutor Melanie Bauer cross-examines Rachelle Miszanczuk as Queen Gertrude.

Mr. Donald Azevada patiently waits for his students to calm down before he shows a video to his 6th period American History class.







By Mike Felix

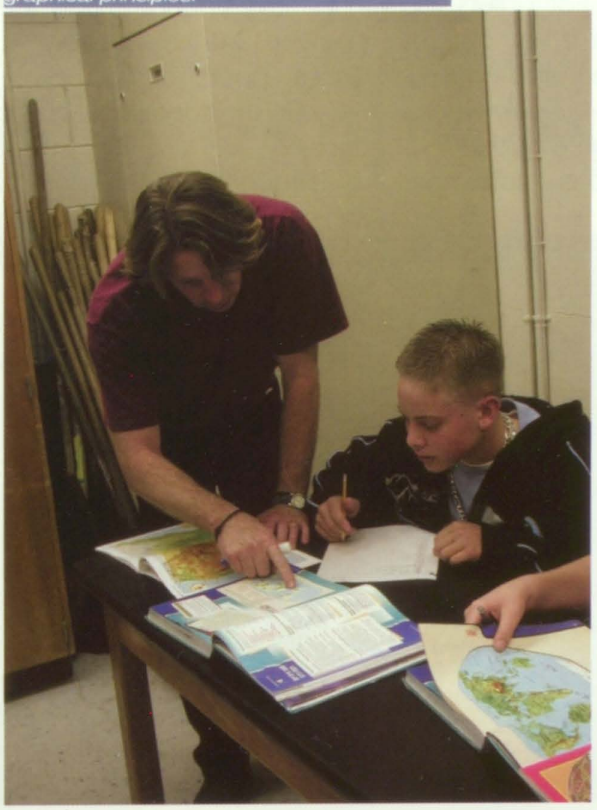
The course of history as we know it has been changed forever. Ever since September 11, 2001, Americans will see the world in a different light.

We have gone into a new age of technology and automated weaponry. The world hasn't always been blessed with such inventive machinery. During the last few centuries, computer and televisions sets have not always been around. In the past, society depended on one other to gather food, water, clothing rather than buying it from the supermarket. In today's society we are blessed with many inventions such as the washing machines, dishwasher, and car.

If it were not for the intelligent inventors of the past, we may not have been blessed with such items. In Irvington, students are subject to study the history of America, World History, as well as government. Linh Phan, a senior at Irvington believes History is the one of the most important facts of life. For we must learn from our past to live in the present. During these courses students will be given information on the major events of human history that led to the planes crashing into the Trade Centers.

If we don't learn from the past, we are doomed to repeat it. Through these courses we are able to understand the past and lean toward the future.

Academy Social Studies teacher, Mr. Scott Lewis, helps another young mind absorb geographical principles.



Mr Canavero sits on his desk comfortably while lecturing his clas. Teaching history can be stressing sometimes. It's better to interact witth the students.

Top Row: Anthony Wegenka, Mark Shadduck, Nate Ivy, Roger Madsen Middle Row: Cheryl Cook-Kallio, Jen Hillier, Joan Nyland, Deb Bowers-Ivey Bottom Row: Greg Canavero, Don Azevada

Jennifer Crozier and Lihn Phan are amazed as Mr. Roger Madsen exhibits his knowledge of psychology. Being a teacher dos have its up side!

LAND OF THE FREE...

... HOME OF THE BRAVE!

By: Mike Felix

Every year students are subject to take English and history. For juniors and seniors, they are given other options other than regular history and English. Juniors are about to take American studies, both English 11 & World History merged together to create a more enjoyable course.

American Studies examines the American experience from 1865 to the present. Team-taught and student-centered, the course integrates American History and American Literature. This course is a community of learners that questions assumptions and considers issues deeply.

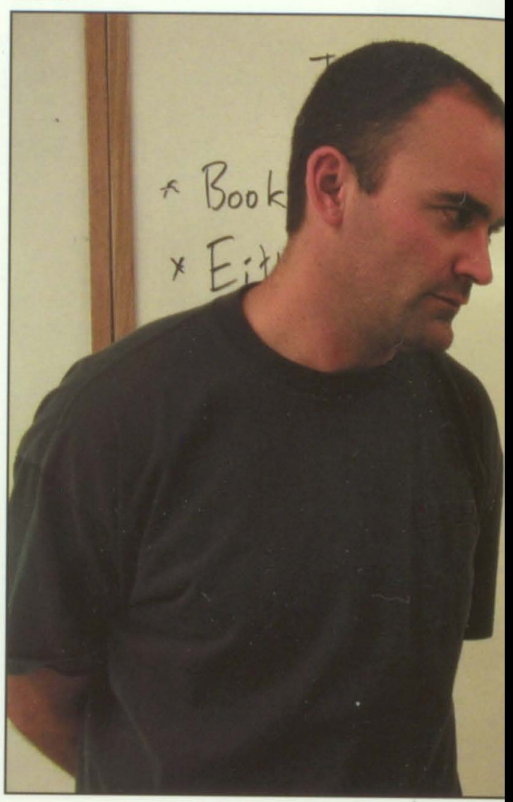
During American Studies, students are about to work together in groups as well as place their originality in each project presented. Though students may work together in groups, they are still given the attention of the teacher as any regular course, if not more. Students are able to confront social issues by becoming aware, critically examining the facts, and thinking about how to be involved in positive change. Also they critically examine and celebrate what freedom, justice, hope, democracy, and liberty mean in the context of American experience.

Through fun-filled projects, students are subject to use they creativity and social skills to develop a closer relationship with other students.

Humanities are given to seniors who feel they work and progress better in a group rather than individual work. Humanities focuses on writing techniques, exploring new insights of the world, and cooperation with others. This course gives a new meaning to fun. Teachers make the students feel more at home and yet given them the required assignments.

If it be American Studies or Humanities, each builds character and confidence, helping the student with greater conflicts in the future.

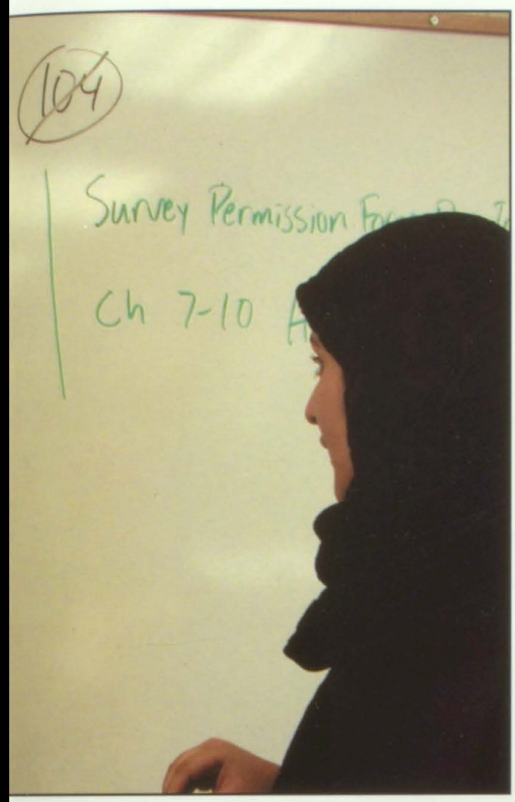
Mr. Nate Ivy discusses American History with one of his sutudents. Helping as much as possible, Mr. Ivy provides as much information needed to resolution this student dilema



4th Period Humanities teacher, Ms. Hillier gives Emory Lee her comments about her views on government. Emory likes this class for she is able to get the attention she needs when needed.

In 6th period American Studies, Ms. Luann Brazill reviews over Loran Ashley's essay. Giving suggstions and comments to help improve her writing.

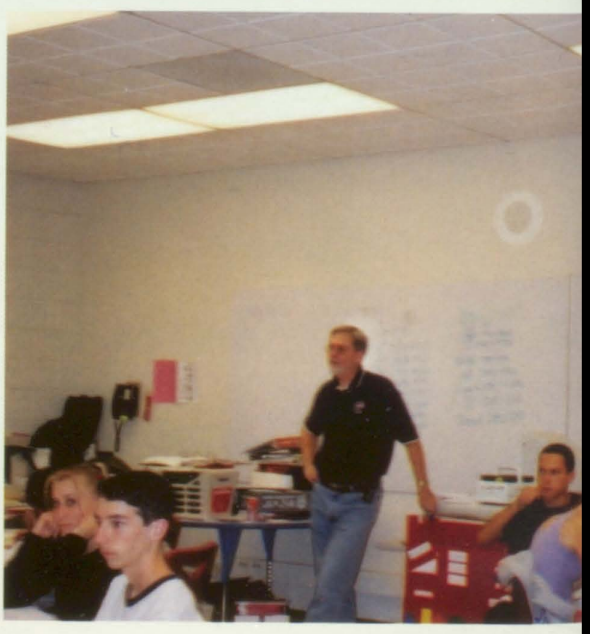
United We Stand



Ms. Teri Hu takes a little of her time to help asist one of her students, Manuel Donesa. Sometimes you just need a woman to do a man's work.

Andy Tran and Ms. Belinda Brackett give their comments on Carol Lieu's drawing Helping to give more life and color to her picture.

Secondary Factors



By Julia Green

Math is one of the most repetitive and stressful classes, but it is also one of the most important for your future. All jobs require math to a certain degree, even if it isn't the focus. Whether you become a basketball superstar or a high tech guru, you will need to use math in one way or another.

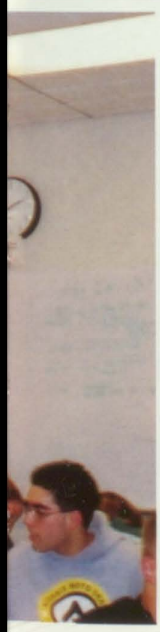
Did you know that the computer you use to surf the net and chat with your friends relies on math to perform even the simplest operations such as putting a number up on your screen? If you go into the computer you will have to understand the system of zeroes and ones that make up the high tech world.

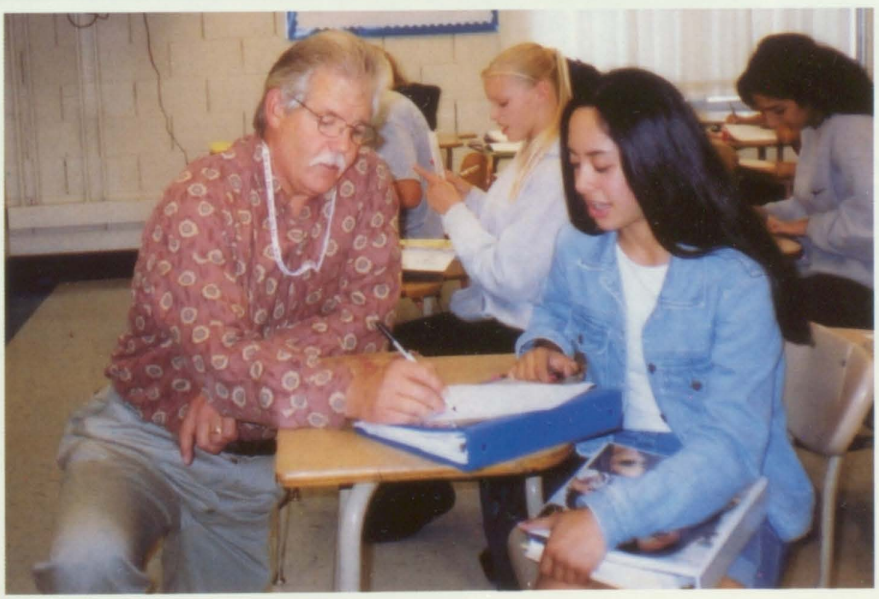
Math affects your personal life just as much as your professional. What if you needed to design your apartment or house layout? Would you hire someone? Not likely! If you did make enough money at your job to hire someone you would probably know a lot of math for your job. What if you were watching your fat intake? That is also a form of math.

"You need to practice to become a professional and you can only learn math by doing it, not listening to a lecture," states math teacher Ms. Karen Lin. No matter how boring or exciting you find math, you have to learn it to guarantee a secure life for yourself.

Ms. Beth Rothfuss teaches Gary Ta about quadratic functions. She is only too happy to help anyone who asks for it.

Back Row: Jim Norton, Ray Spooner, Skip Cain, Mike Thompson. Middle: Debbie Yan, Asha Pathania, Beth Rothfuss. Front: Raj Nagra, Abigail Freeman.





Ms. Karen Lin grades papers for her Algebra 2 honors class. The math department has put honors freshman in Algebra 2 instead of geometry.

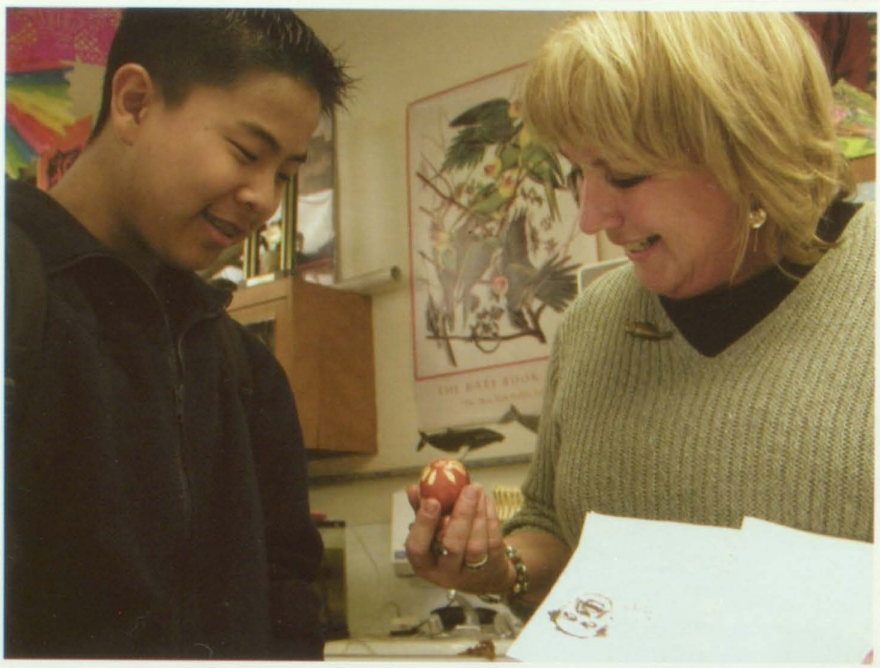
Mr. Ray Spooner teaches his geometry class how to chart shapes and graphs. They will do their homework to reinforce what he taught.

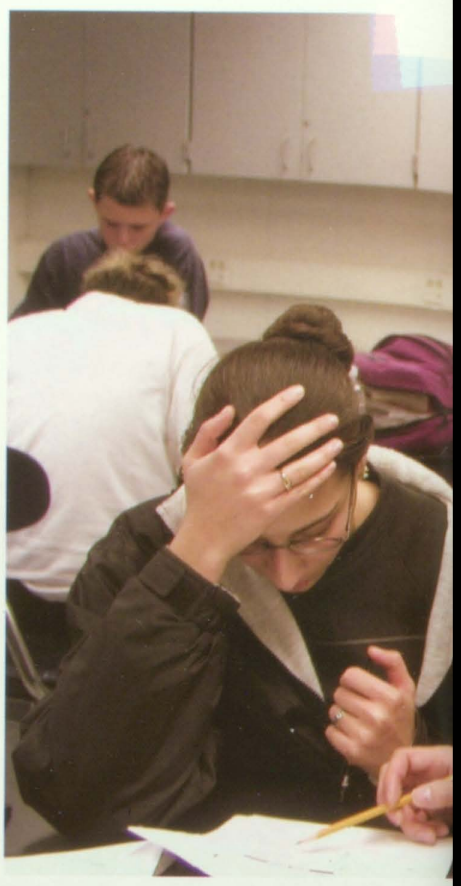
Mr. Skip Cain shows Roxanne Garcia how to do multiple variable equations during tutorial.

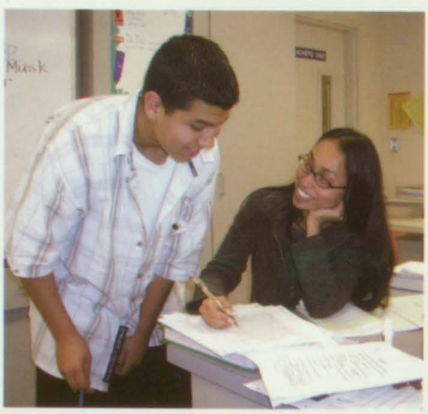
... Everything That Goes Up ...According To The Law Of Gravity...

Mr. Alex Lee helps one of his students understand Boyle's Theory. Chemistry is not an easy subject but the only way t understand how things work is to ask.

In 6th period Environmental Science, Brian Lee and Ms. Jeanette Frechou look at a seed. Amazed that in future time, this will become part of the earth and become 20 times as big as it is now.



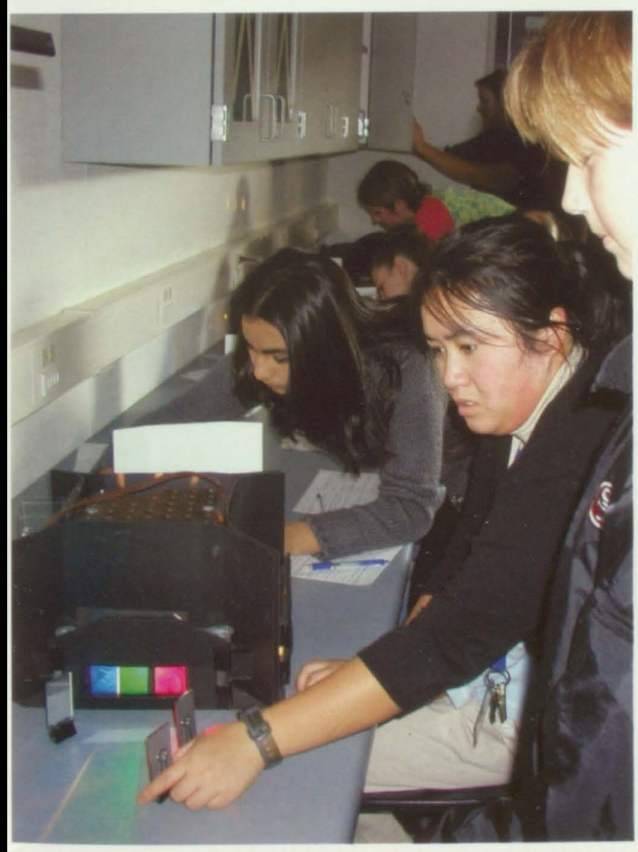




Ms. Sulakshna Singh listens to Gerado Guerrero explains his reasons for the answer he gave to a question on the test. Helping to clarify concepts is an important part of the job.

Top Row: Sulakshna Singh, Alex Lee, Jeanette Frechou , Gordon Sanford Bottom Row: Danie Avery, Kim Nguyen, John Macuk, Sharon Ceresa

Must Come Down.



By Mike Felix

Kaboom! If you're not careful, you may cause an accident. Science is not a subject you want to take for granted. Irvington science courses are filled with interactive experiments, which gives the student a better understanding of what they are learning. Vanessa Deguzman, in physical science with Ms. Singh believes science to be one of the most interesting courses, saying, "You are able to work with other students to figure out logical solutions."

Irvington offers many different science courses. Chemistry is a course where you study matter and measurements. During this course you are required to perform experiments and write lab report, expressing your results of the experiment and observations. By doing so, this gives the student a better understanding of what information that is being given from the teacher.

In Physiology, you understand the functions and names of every muscle and major vessel of the body. During this course you are also given experiments involving different anatomical structures. Mr. Gordon Sanford also includes competitive games to get the students more involved in the class and make learning more enjoyable as well.

Whether it is the study of matter, the functions of the human body, or the calculations of the distance and speed of an object, science at Irvington High School has become not just a regular course, but into an entertaining educational learning environment, resulting in higher test scores, more interests in the course and more activity and involvement by the students.

Ms. Kim Nyguen helps one of her students solve the mystery of colors. Using glass that divides the spectrum, Ms. Nyguen demostrates how to make orange.

REALITY IS ART

By: Julia Green

What is Art? According to the World Book Dicitionary Art is the conscious production or arrangement of sounds, colors, forms, movements, or other elements in a manner that affects the sense of beauty. But you can't really define art because there will always be some new form of art that affects something else, not always the beauty as in the definition above.

"We need the Arts because they provide balance and give students the chance to express themselves in a less structured enviroment and the arts are good for developing critical thinking skills and self esteem," says art teacher Ms. Parker. Art and drama are fun classes and if things such as Math and English aren't your calling than you should take on one of these classes because they can help you with those problem classes.

Irvington High School is an arts magnet school so we have all the best classes and equipment for students and we even have an Arts family and the CCA program. In CCA, or the Arts family, you can learn all about the Arts effects on whatever subject you're learning, such as English.

If there was no such thing as art, then there would be no such thing as imagination. If there was no such thing as the imagination, how would we have come to understand that the earth is round or that cells divide?

Alice Cho watches Ms. Roman make adjustments to a piece in her digital drawing class. "It's interesting," Alice says about this new addition to the curriculum.

Ms. Parker hands out art supplies to J.J Witt and in tutorial. Their art books are due in a few days and it will determine their final grade.

Standing: Robert Moran, Mary Roman. Seated: Kim Parker, Susan Pat Kate Denis.

Inpirational Ms. Pate discusses the new techniques she's about to share with her Art 1 class. We're very glad to have Ms. Pate back after her struggle with cancer last year.

Clockwise from top: Linda Jackson, Lee Glover, Charles Rodda. Bob Lane.

Fit to Print

By Julia Green

There was no journalism class scheduled at Irvington High School this year, to the shock and dismay of many students. "I signed up for it," said Kevin Zhu, "but they didn't give it to me."

In response to this glaring omission, a group of dedicated Irvington students volunteered to create a newspaper during tutorial, using email to share articles and edit on their own time. They also sold enough ad space to pay for their printing costs, not an easy task given that the paper was in debt from previous years. They were able to produce two issues of *the Voice* during this troubled year, one in February, the other in June.

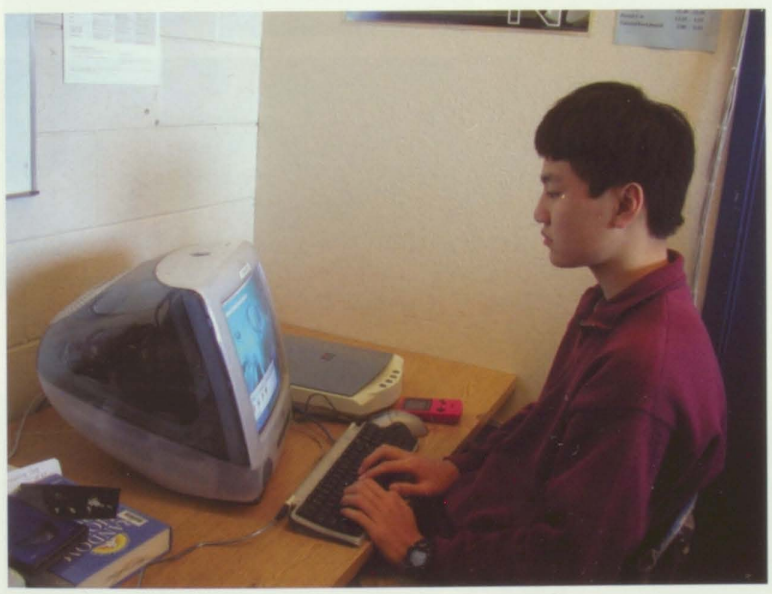
Another Irvington publication launched a literary website. *The Rune* is dedicated to showcasing creative work done by Irvington students. There has been no creative writing class available at Irvington for years, due to low sign-ups, so *the Rune* is also running as an extracurricular activity.

Maybe someday the art of language will be included in the arts magnet program, and these publications will be offered as part of the curriculum instead of an after school activity.

Front row: Kavitha Mattaparthi, Evelyn Lim, Melody Chu, Pam Hong, Jennifer Do, Sarah Jo. Back row: Erin Pangilinan, May Mei, Humaira Sarker, Nicole Fernandes, Victoria Tang, Nisha Desai, Rashmi Soni, Ashish Agrawal, Kate Luo. Way back row: Kevin Zhu.

Anthony Mardirosian peruses the article he submitted to the Editorial page of the Voice. Seeing his work in print is very satisfying to this novice journalist.

May Mei and Kevin Zhu check the article assignments for the June issue of the Voice. Since the paper was done on a voluntary basis this year, more articles than needed were assigned to make sure enough people turned them in to fill the paper.



Putting together layouts for the Rune, Yan Min Hong diligently plugs away at a borrowed yearbook computer. To simplify and consolidate resources, all three IHS publications will be produced in the Dungeon next year.

Ack! Tottering towers of recycling buckets! Christopher Walker, Publications TA, keeps an eye on the recycling buckets graciously donated by Dale Hardware. The Voice plans to collect recyclables from classrooms to fund their printing bills.

Leading the Viking Ship

By Kyle Warmack

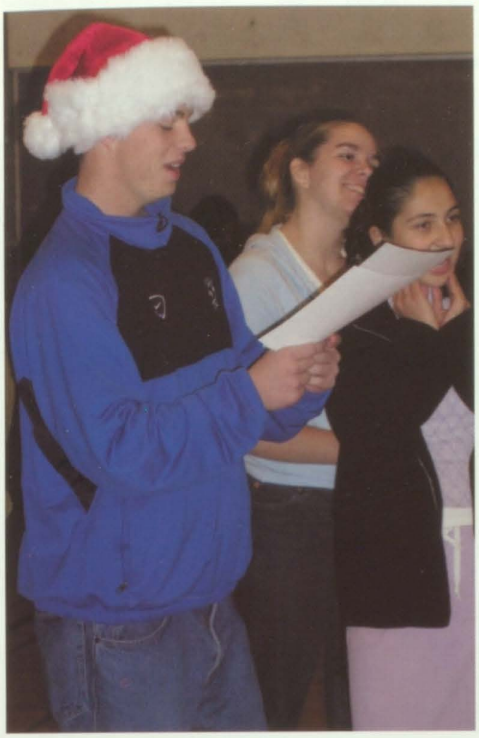
"Leadership places you in an environment where everyone is working towards a common goal," claims Junior ASB member Enny Van. "It's a place where you learn life's lessons." Leadership is a class often overlooked at Irvington. Perhaps this is because it can only be taken, and is required for, ASB members. "The ideal thing would be to have everyone in Leadership," Enny says. According to her, Leadership could do us all a lot of good. It is a class that focuses on developing skills needed to guide people, to, at the risk of sounding redundant, lead them.

"There's always the stereotype of the loud people in these glamorous positions, like Rally Commissioner," Enny says, "But often the most important people are those who are quiet and behind the scenes. They really run the show." To those people out there who believe that ASB is for the popular people, for the hams and those who love the spotlight, that may be some encouragement. Leadership could do well to open up to the rest of the school. Perhaps then we'd have more people jumping up for ASB positions, and a wider range of choices. And maybe we'd learn some of life's lessons on the way.

Ryan Wong gestures emphatically at a fellow ASB member. Like Ryan Wong, many ASB members tend to be outgoing.

Christine Baird and Melissa Mendez discussing affairs of state, no doubt. Christine is a sophomore and Melissa is a junior.

Brian Loeswick calls a list of names to participate in winter rally games. Brian Loeswick is the ASB Rally Commissioner.



Chelsea Whitfield and Miguel Sandoval discuss a holiday fundraiser in the Student Union during Leadership class. Both Miguel and Chelsea are very active in the Irvington sports community.

Front Row: April Fame, Justin Wang, Melissa Mendez, Enny Van, Lilace Ronolo, Gerstein Padua, Ryan Wong, Ashley Juenger, Liz Choo, Chelsea Whitfield, Christy Baird. Second Row: Angel Chu, Azeta Hatel, Rosanna Huang, Kim Collisss, Lauren Avina, Kali Delzampo, Laura Clay, Danielle Hitchcock, Natalie Lee, Grace Shaw. Third Row: Homaira Hosseini, Rachel Clausen, Marilia Maschion, Vicki Hill, Mai Dinh, Renee Wong, Marie Tran, Dorothy Lee, Joanne Kabariti. Back Row: Miguel Sandoval, Brian Loeswick, Nathan Lau, Somnath Suresh, Julie Myers

YEARBOOK
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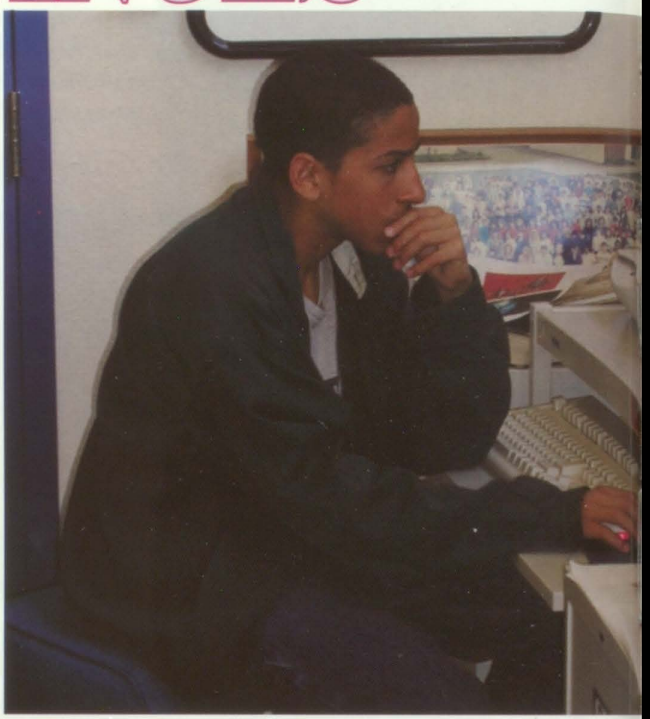
THE SAGA CONTINUES

By Kyle Warmack

Teri is our leader, she's very into her job,
but she won't let you eat in the Dungeon if you are a slob.
Mariella knows what she is doing, she's been here before,
But since she's a senior, she will be here no more.
Susanna's very scary when driving a car,
So when she's behind the wheel, we advise you to be far.
After two years in this class, Anita has two more,
She's the first that can be in Publications Four.
Sometimes Shan's jokes can be quite lame,
but this little freshman is really quite tame.
Holly is cool; she listens to Weezer.
So we listen too, if only to please her.
David's always swooning over one girl or another,
He has so many siblings, sisters and a brother.
Leah's a cheerleader, plenty full of spunk.
Always smiling with a whole lot of funk.
Kyle one listens to music day in and day out.
If you don't like his songs, he is sure to pout.
We have a Kyle Junior, too, who joined us late in the year
Since he's a freshman, in 2005 he'll still be here.
Michael looks like a Buddhist monk.
He's actually quite smart, and not full of junk.
Julia's quiet, subtle, and she has pretty eyes.
If you want someone who does excellent work, try her on for size.
Irram has cool hair, always a new design.
Her comments are always on the ball and never out of line.
Canny's trying to learn three languages at once,
She's a hard–worker, definitely not a dunce.
Rachel is well–known because of her binder,
She is a good person, and could not be kinder.
Joshia went to Yearbook Camp and really knows her stuff,
From photo shoots to layouts, she just can't get enough.
Cassi has a sassy style,
Her eyeliner can often reach the Nile.
Andrew has spikes for his hair,
Question his intelligence, if you dare.
Stan is the man with the Starburst pack,
For working on the video, he sure has a knack.
Drew is the one who is really, really, really tall.
He works a lot on yearbook and is always on the ball.
Anthony has a way with words,
If you need copy, give him the nod.
Aliyah's got it made, from beauty to brains,
Although all of us think she's absolutely insane.
Olivia somehow gets her work done whenever she's in the room.
If you mess with her, though, it could only mean doom.
Brandon is a techie extraordinaire;
His infamous dark trenchcoat is always there.
Yan Min, the wizard, helps on everything in the book.
If computers were food, he'd be the head cook.

Shan Howerton gazes thoughtfully at the lone PC, Spam, as he revises the copy for the Grease spread. Shan covered many events throughout the year, such as rallies, dances, and plays.



Front Row: Joshia Chang, Canny Chang, Aliyah Wong, Irram Khan, Shan Howerton. 2nd Row: Rachel Hillman, Susanna Tuan, Niki Patel, Anita Subrahmanyam, Holly Martinez, Leah Mosgrove, Julia Green. 3rd Row: David Aquino, Stan Hung, Yan Min Hong, Kyle Warmack, Cassi Perez, Mariella Ruezga, Olivia Rodriguez, Andrew Truong. Back Row: Brandon Stewart, Adam Moghadam, Mike Felix, Drew Raboy.

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Joshia Chang & Rachel Hillman

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Andrew Truong & Cassi Perez

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Yan Min Hong
Stan Hung
Kyle Stephens
Brandon Stewart

Since the Dungeon has no electricity, the yearbook computers depended entirely on a network of extension cords for power. Brandon Stewart tries to get the cords back up and running after yet another blown circuit has shut the machines down.

On a trip to New York City for the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, Susanna Tuan and Joshia Chang take photos in Times Square. This is the second year that the SAGA has been a member of the CSPA.

At the beginning of the school year, the SAGA staff meet in Irvington Park for a kick-off picnic to relax and have fun before the stress of deadlines take their toll. Although the class carries a serious workload, we enjoy many social events as well, such as the picnic, the Winter Gift Exchange Party, and the end of the year banquet.

Pictures, from top to bottom: Stan Hung and Yan Min Hong retreat to the top of the bars during a rousing game of Lava Monster while Rachel Hillman and Joshia Chang observe from the safety of the swings. Drew Raboy takes a moment to catch up on his mantra chanting as Susanna Tuan and Kyle Warmack take refuge on the play structure.

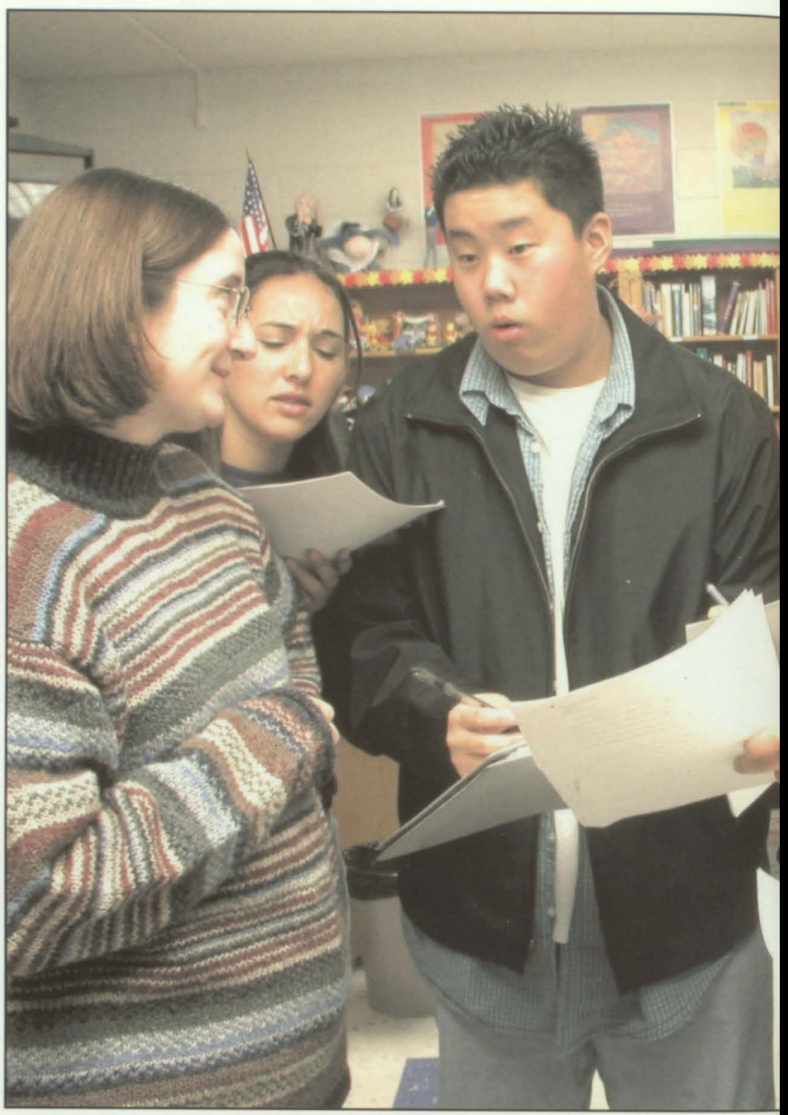
A WHOLE DIFFERENT WORLD

By Michael Felix

Center of Creative Arts (CCA) is a program, which incorporates art with other primary subjects. This program encourages and assists underclassmen through the first two years of their high school years. For freshmen, CCA integrates English, Science, and Math classes. Sophomore CCA classes consist of English and History classes. Thus giving teachers the opportunity to cooperate with one other to give the students a fun-filled learning environment. Teachers are able to distribute perspectives and observations concerning the students' progression.

Through CCA students are able to work together in groups to help produce magnificent works of art and thought. With the opportunity to work together, students are able to grasp wide amounts of ideas and view different perspectives concerning a specific subject. Students are also able to improve their relationships with other classmen within their classes and be more enlightened with them, for they are able to understand other classmen's attributes to their groups.

CCA is a great contribute to Irvtown's unique educational system. Giving underclassmen a more diverse, broad view of school life and helping them with the most crucial years of their high school careers. Through CCA, students as well as teachers are able to work together to a common goal, as a whole.

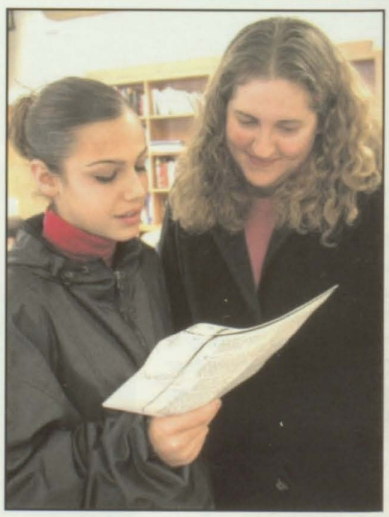


Ms. Ernst smiles as X gives her interpretation of the story they just read. Happy with her students

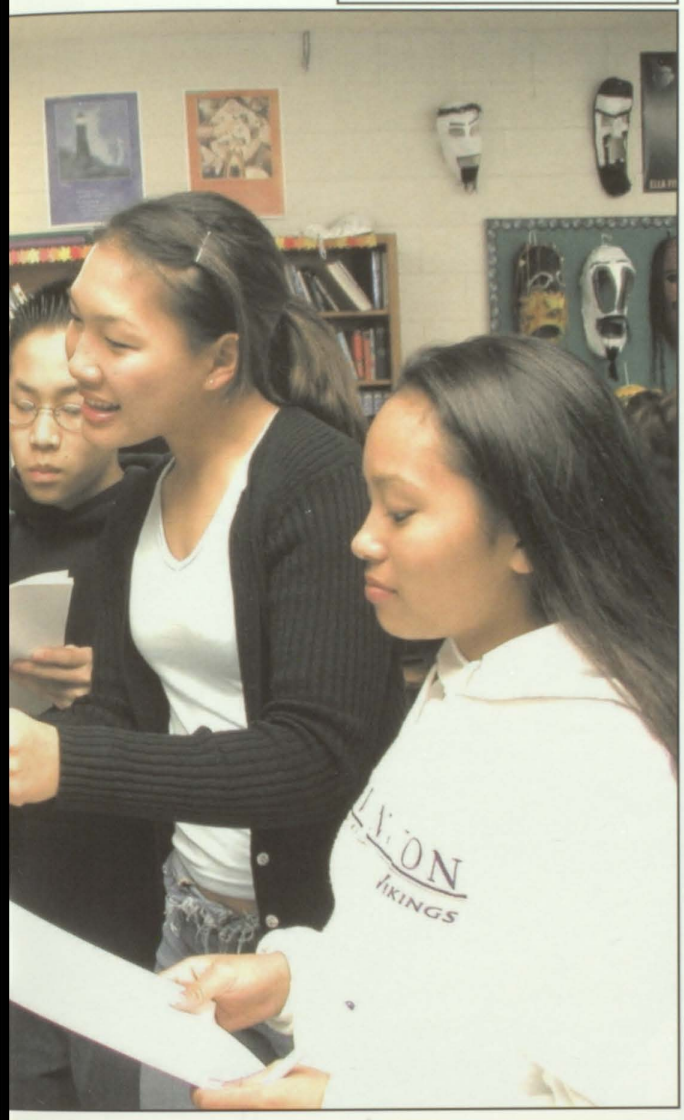
Mr. Don Azevada examines Leilani 's homework carefully. In history, just a little mistake can make a big diffence

Ms. Parker , CCA Director is able to help Nathan Tran with his art as well as coordinate CCA

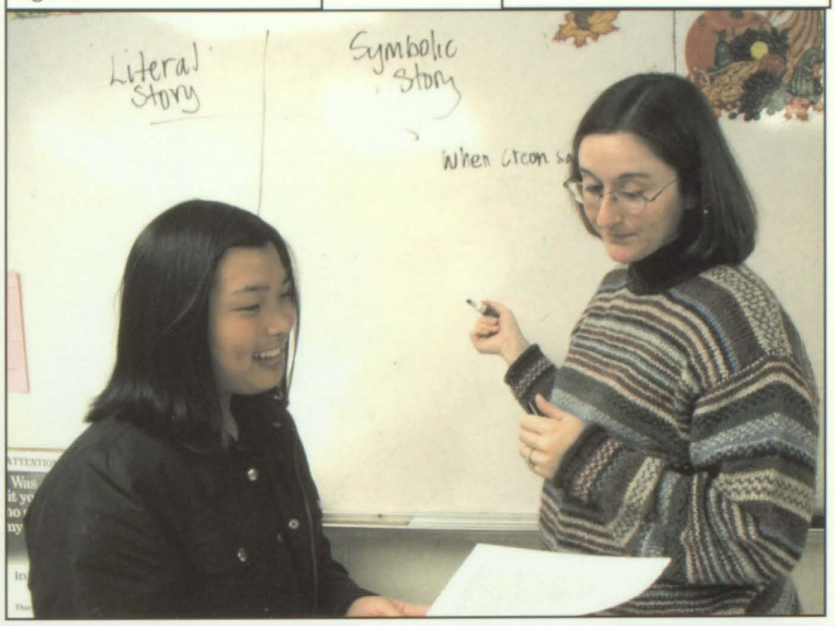
Mr. Don Azevada points out the class where a critical part of hisotry occured. Helping his 3rd period history class relate to this important event in history.



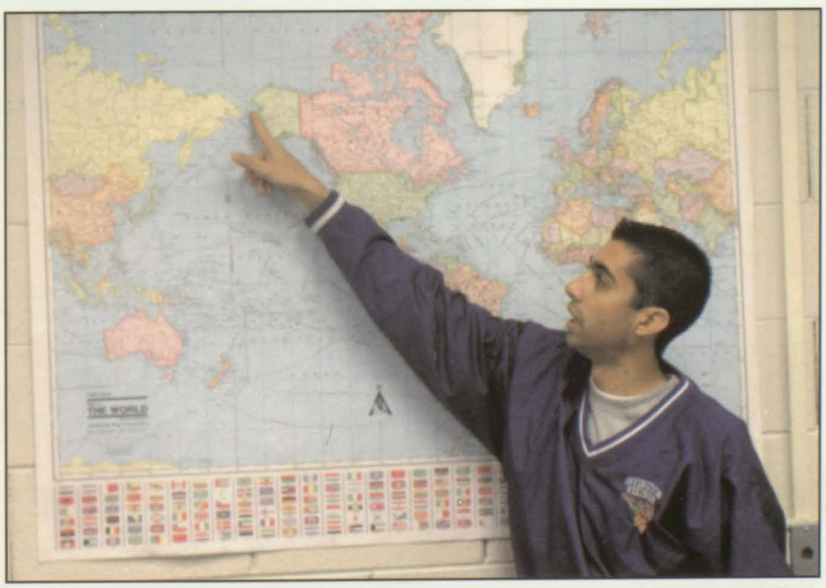
Mrs. Belinda Brackett is overflooded with students concerned about there essay. Nadine Balagot, Jessica Vo, Melissa Holtzer , Andy Tran, Daniel Chung, eagerly await to hear the Mrs. Belinda Brackett's remarks concerning therir essay. Even though Mrs. Belinda Brackett is rushed with a large amount of students, she



Kirby Parnala asks for Mrs. Belinda Brackett insight about her ingenius essay. Trying to improve her vast knowledge of English.



Ms. Ernst gives X her thoughts on paper. Though English is a tough subject, Ms. Ernst makes it seem so easy with her use of language and interpretation for her students.



AHEAD OF

By Kyle Warmack

Advanced Placement classes are one of the cruel necessities of high school life. Many people hate taking them. They assign massive workloads, and a breakneck pace begins as tests draw near. At their culmination, a test lasting several hours is taken, dredging out and racking your brains for obscure details that you have had drilled into your mind for months. Whether you pass the class or the test depends entirely on your willingness for hard work and your aptitude for the subject.

On the other hand, there are the bonuses. If you pass with a high enough score, you can skip classes in college. When the time comes for universities to pick the next year's crop, you can be on the top of the list.

The benefits are clear, but a controversial question remains: are they worth it?

The choice is ultimately yours.

STATISTICS

ENGLISH

BIOLOGY

CHEMISTRY

THE CURVE

Ms. Julie Samrick listens attentively during a Socratic seminar. The Socratic is commonly used in AP Engllish.

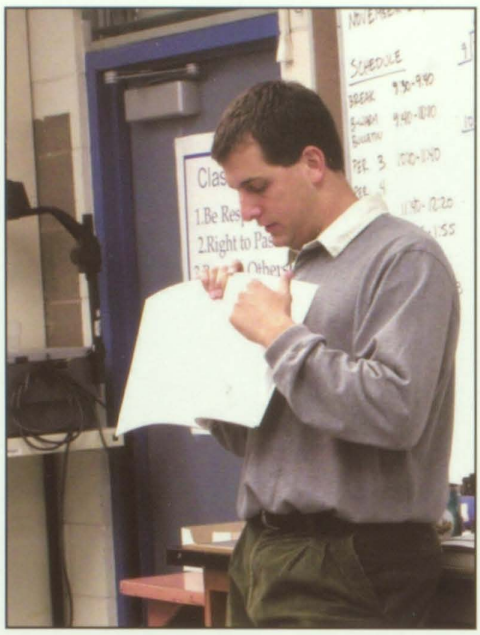
Ms. Elizabeth Ernst gestures to illustrate a point during a Socratic seminar. Controversial points in literature are popular topics of Socratics.

Ms. Sharon Ceresa, outfitted as Winnie the Pooh, talks to a student in her Biology classroom. This was her outfit for the Science department photo.

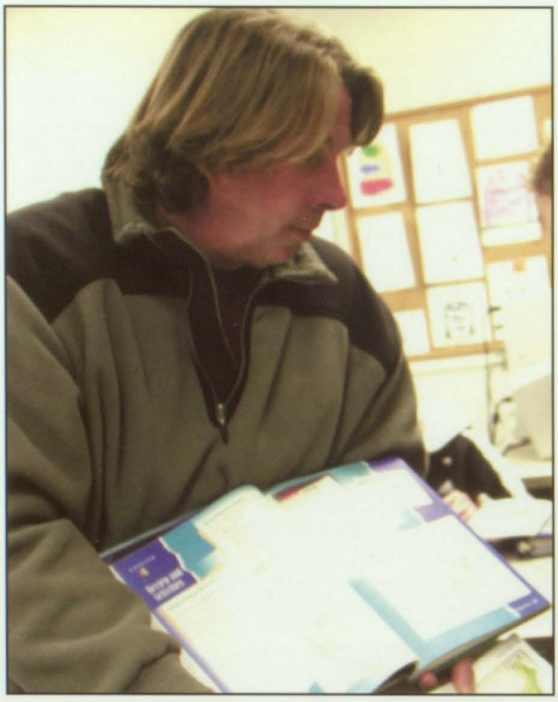
Calculus

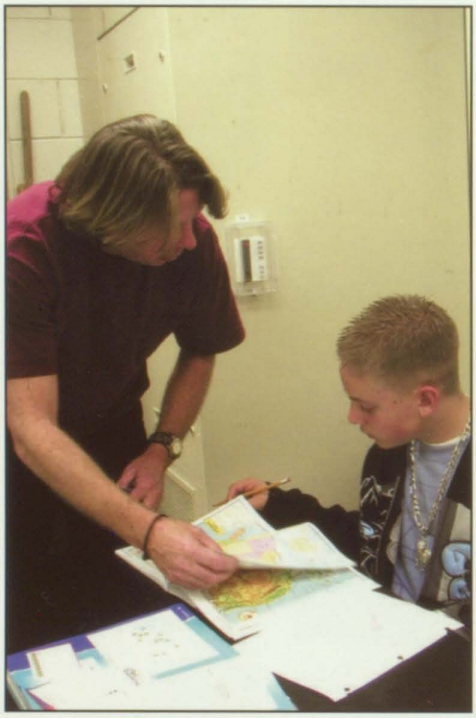
US History

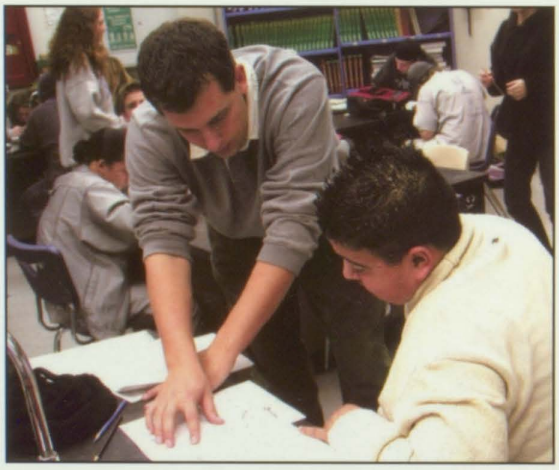
Mr. Scott Lewis carries to World Maps. With balance and amazemen the is able to find a specific country while balancing two books.



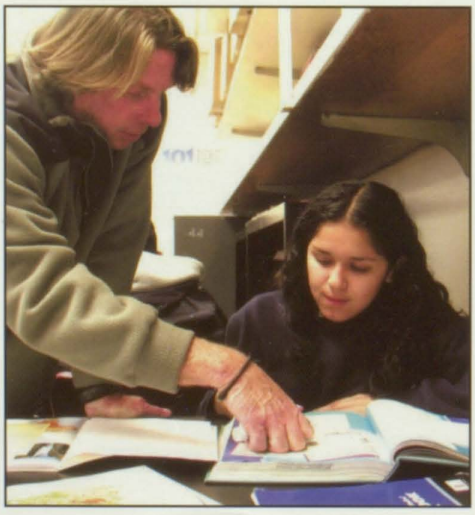
Mr. Ryan Kirchner explains to Moises Maciel which scientific body part coexistence with the other.

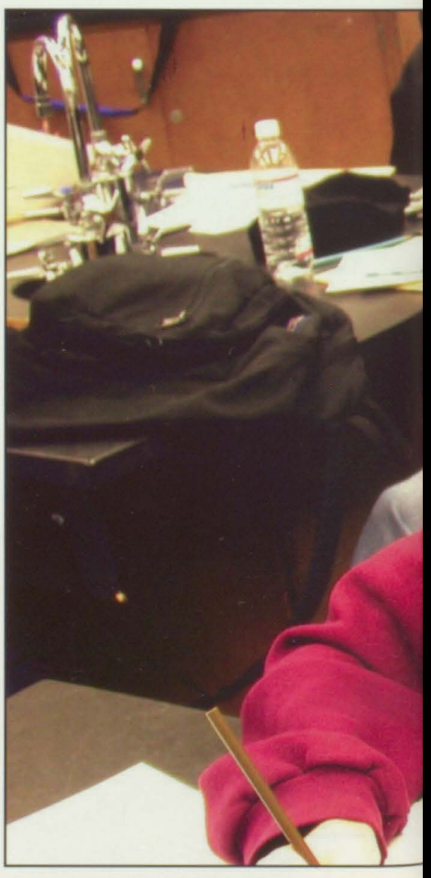






Mr. Ryan Kirchner explain the instructions to the class of the porject they will be embarking upon

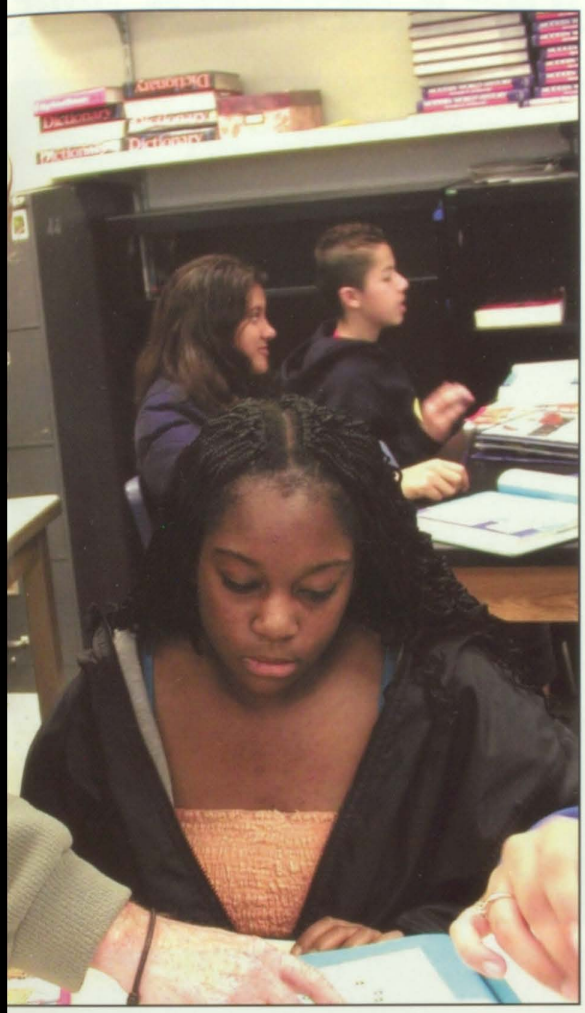




Mr. Scott Lewis helps Daniel Sokol find the country he is searching for. Mr Scott Lewis always finds the time to help students in need

Mr. Scott Lewis explains to Debbie Santiago a history fact about merica. With attentive ears Debbie listens with a bright smile.

Building A Much Brighter Future



Mr. Scott Lewis assists Ariana Smith discover the location aof a foreign country. Though Mr Scott Lewis is busy, he always is able to spare his time for others.

Mr. Ryan Kirchner explains biological processes to Dean Kirk. Mr. Ryan Kirchner is always delighted to eager student as Dean Kirk.

By: Mike Felix

A course devised to assist students whom have wrestled throughout junior high, be able to succeed in high school. The Academy does exactly just that! The Academy gives the students a comfortable working environment in which they are able to perform at their own rate and are able to get the additional help when needed.

This class mainly consists of ninth and tenth graders, preparing them for the junior as well as senior year of high school. The Academy concentrates on four significant subjects: English and History, taught by Mr. Scott Lewis, and Service and Science taught by Mr. X X.

In the Academy, students are able to progress on their abilities to will lead them to a brighter, successful future. Being able to improve on these skills have also helped students build their collective and emotional skills as well.

The Academy has help create brighter futures for many students and will proceed to light the way for many others

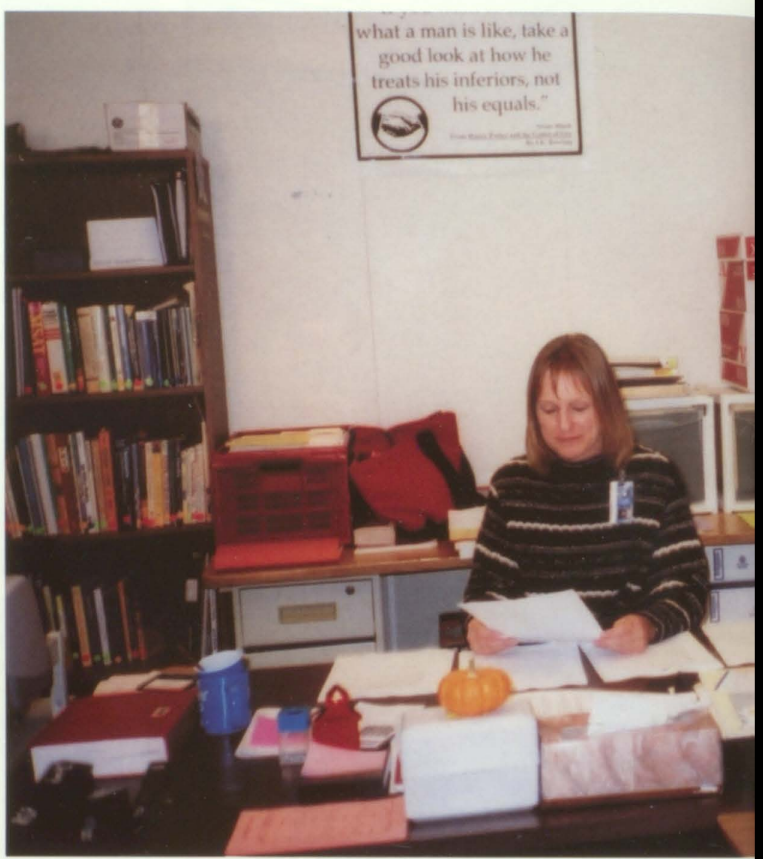
Special People For

By Julia Green

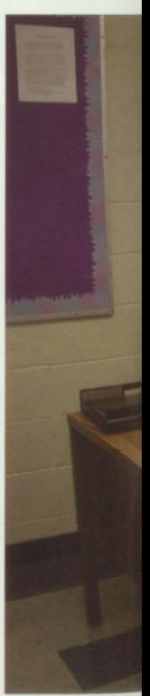
Irvington hs one of the largest special education departments among California schools. Our big department allows for more one on one teaching and the students understand better.

The special education system works about the same as the regular school system. One difference is that the level they learn at is a little more personalized to their own abilities. Another difference is that they learn with more repetition, but they may not do it all at once, just a lot spread out over time.

The Special Education program is a very important program because every child deserves an education. This program is one of the many reasons why we are the coolest school.



Ms. Eleanor Lemke enjoys seeing how her students' skills have grown and developed over the year.



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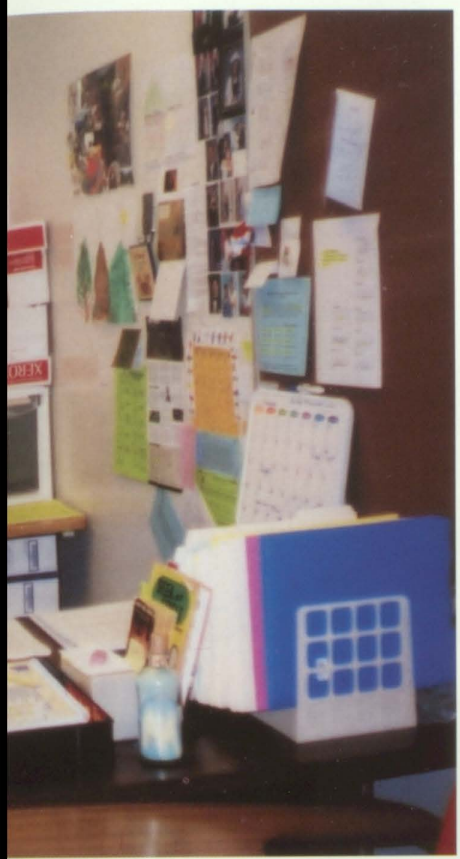
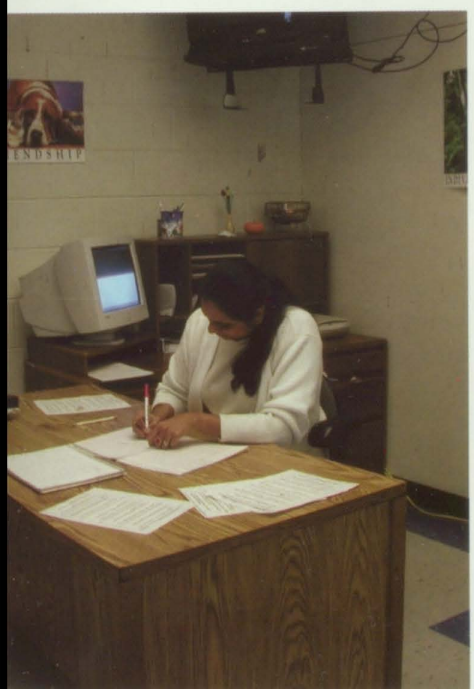


Ms. Eleanor Ammon sits and organizes papers for her classes. She laughingly complains about her stressful day, but we know she loves the kids she serves.



Ms. Rajeshree Singh grades papers during her prep. She can get a lot done in an hour without distractions.

Ms. Heather Smith goes over some work with a student while her TA grades papers.

The Art of Food, The Business of Wood, The Science of Business

_____ _____, Katie Dudgeon, and Ryan _____ whipping up a meal in Foods class. Here they learn the fine art of culinary science.

By Kyle Warmack

Dark figures bent over whining metal blades...the cruel buzz and scream of sharp edges slicing through shrieking wood...light glinting off shining eyes and their transparent covers...faces scowling in intense concentration...sweat pouring down noses and foreheads as the weight of outcomes press down...

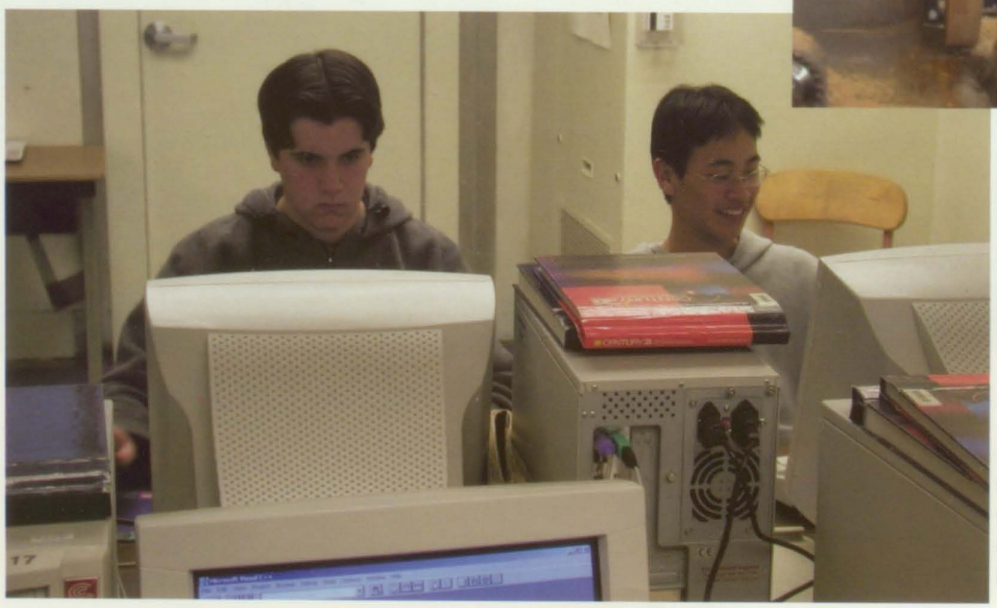
Or...

Backs bowed, eyes glaring raptly at the soft electronic glow emitting from gray boxes...the quiet whirring and chittering of computations...plans and ambitions cranking through busily pondering minds...the laying of foundations, the realization of dreams...

Or...

Homely smiles and spindly hands that have not yet acquired arthritis, but surely they will...warm yarn and the slight, barely audible tapping of long needles...tiny threads interwoven endlessly and inextricably to combine into an immaculate whole...the soft wafting of scents undulating gently across breezes from the door to carry hunger creeping into your mouth.

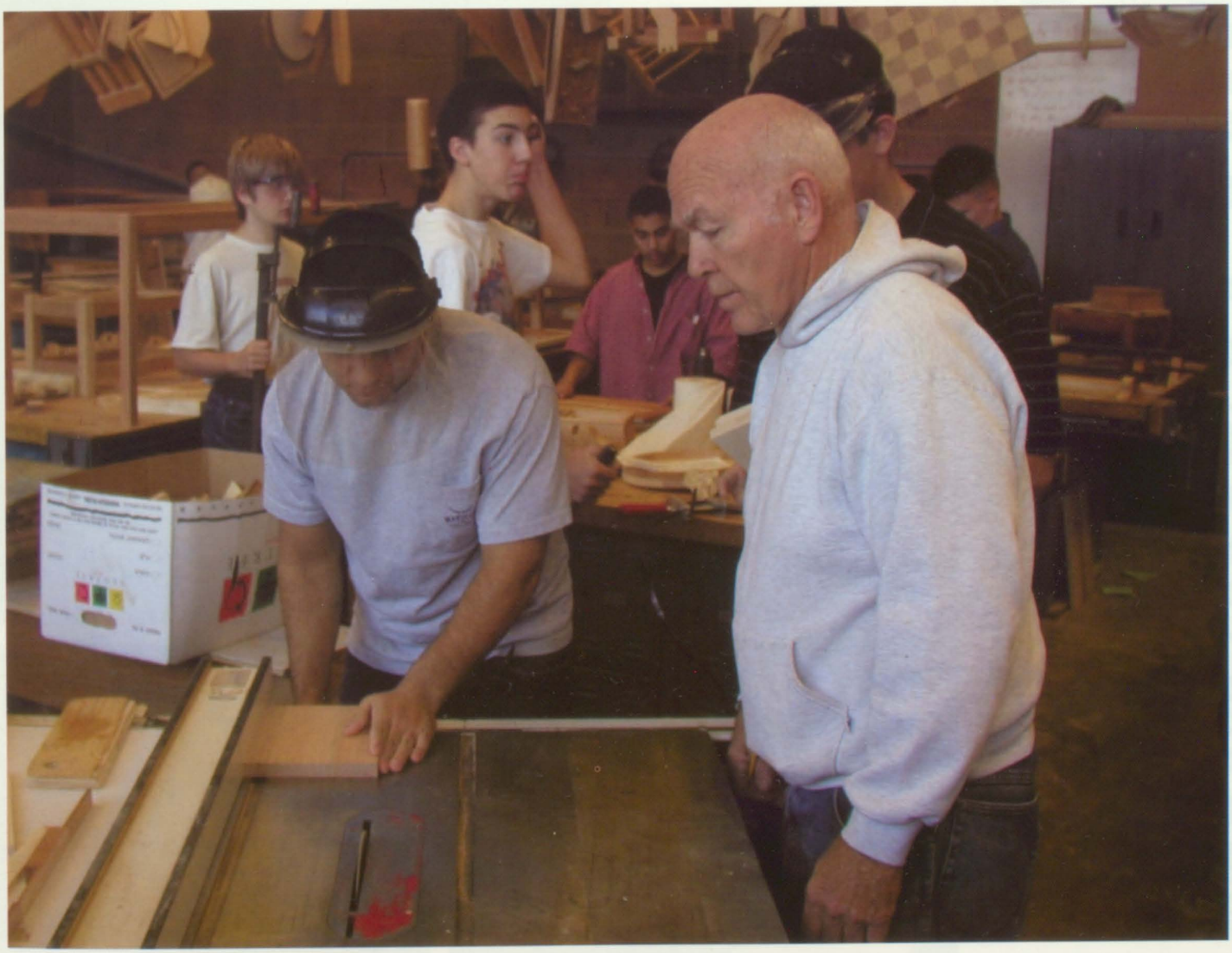
_____ _____, wrist-deep in saw dust in Woodshop. The lathe he is using spins the wood around and allows you to carve it.



Matt White and Steven Lai working diligently at their computers. They are learning computer programming in Mr. Delagoy's 6th period class.

From left to right: Mrs. _____, Ms. Hashimoto, the Home Economics teachers

Mr. Harmon supervises _____ _____ as he uses the table saw. When using the table saw, one slip can cost a finger.



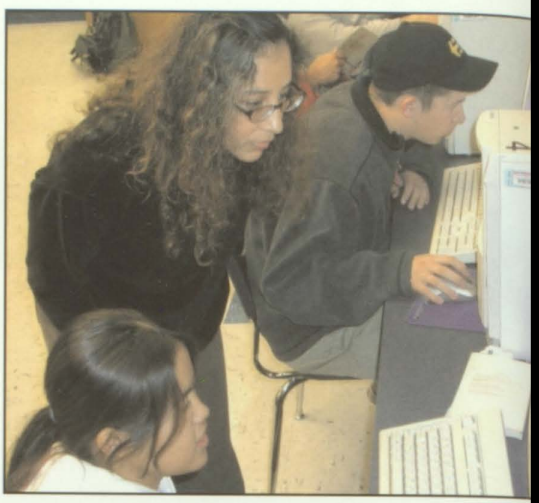
REGIONAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM...

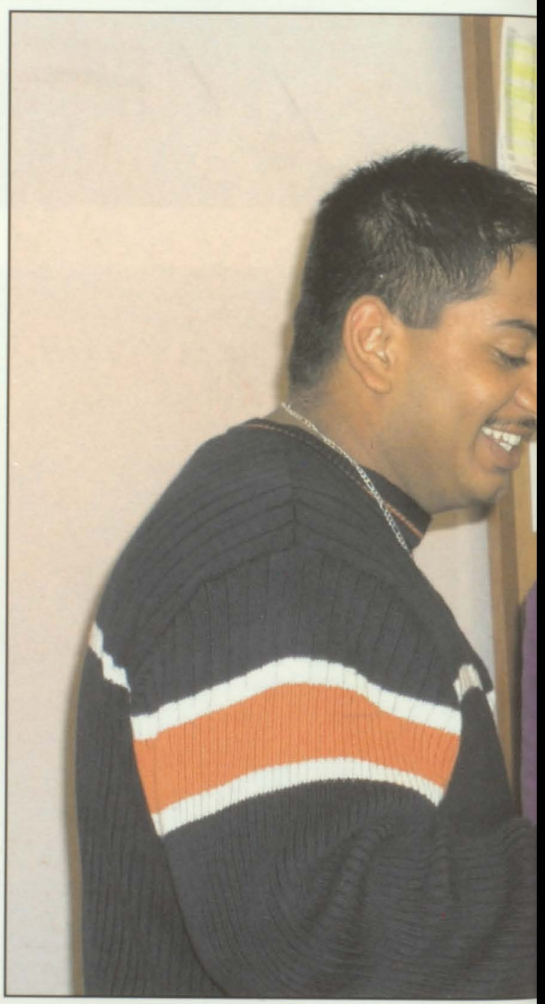
By Michael Felix

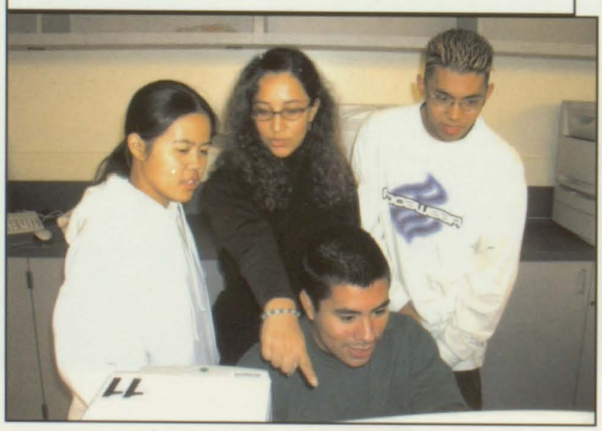
The Regional Opportunity Program gives juniors and seniors the opportunity to take courses they may be fascinated in as a profession. There are many ROP classes held in Irvington's campus as well as off. Classes that are offered are given to help give insight to the career they are interested in.

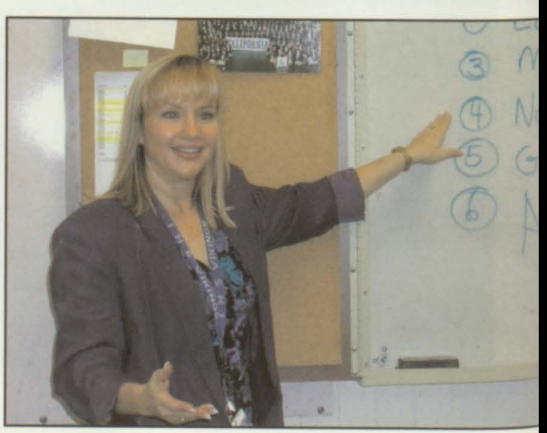
The Regional Opportunity Program is an excellent position to help further understand the career you are going to embark on in the future. Classes that give an in-depth information into the profession your may be interested in. These double blocked classes' gives an intensive hands-on experience for students from Computer Programming, Auto-Body, to Interior Design.

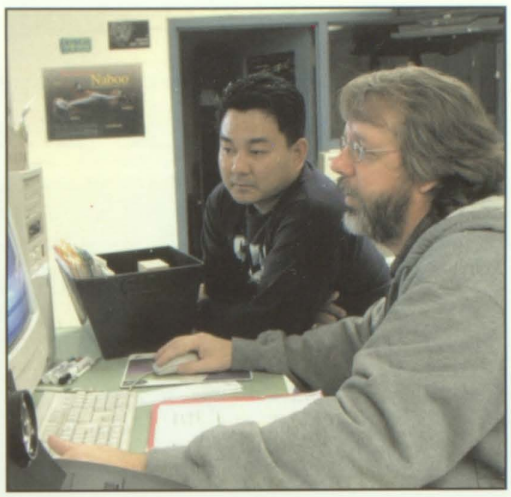
ROP is a magnificent, appealing alternative to customary Irvington elective courses. ROP has been able to give students the knowledge they need to pursue the career they wish for. As well as being educational, ROP classes help encourage students improve on skills toward a successful future.







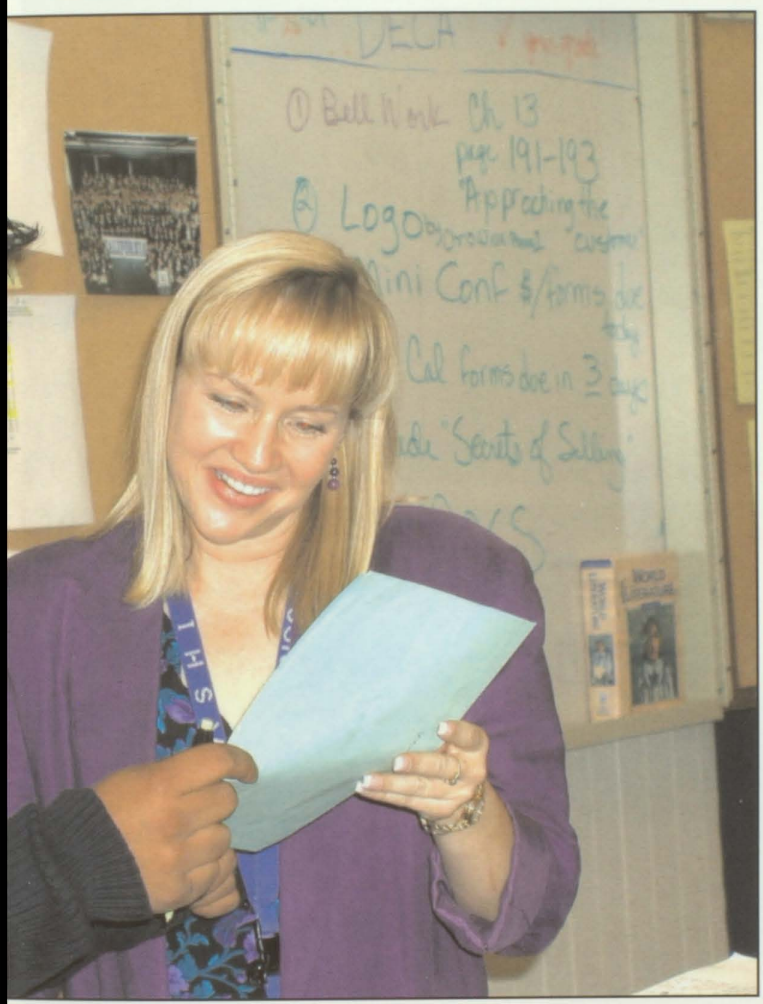




Ms. Elba Rios is amazed at Melody Fontanilla's ditigal artwork. Ms. Elba Rios can only look in amazement at her pupil's work.

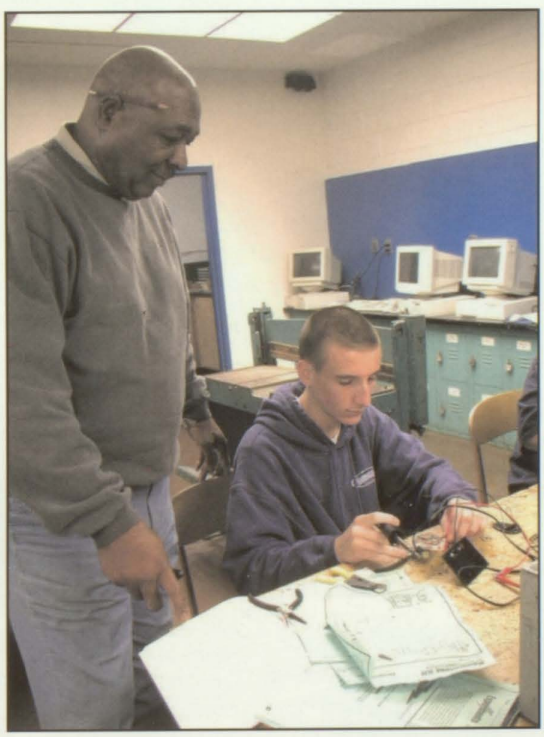
Mr. Aubry Kennard assists Jason Demeulenaere with his wiring and molding to a complex electrical machine

Mr. Paul Crockett shows one of hs adult like figures how to use the impressive Auto Cad. With this program students are able to create complex blueprints



Mrs. Denise Merlin is delighted as Jay Singh gives his proposal of his DECA project. Joy and laughter always come with a hard days work.

Mr. Aubry Kennard watches wire his electrical evice Brian Ullin. With ease, Brian is able to operate the soldering gun to produce life.



Ms. Elba Rios shows Melody Fontanilla and Reinel Daodoy X artwork. Pointing out the unique aspects of his artwork.

Mrs. Denise Merlin show to the class the six key DECA rules to success. Delighted to see the eagerness in her students , Mrs Denise Merlin enjoys her wrok as a teacher.

...ROAD TO SUCCESS

It's not all fun and games, even for PE teachers. Mr. Sinnott keeps an eye on his 3rd period class as they take their SAT9s in the cafeteria.

For the Mind, Body and Soul

By Julia Green

Pizza, soda, and candy...why care about healthy foods when you could be eating delicious fatty sugary snacks. Alcohol, cigarettes and drugs...why care about your body when you can be cool and forget your messed up life?

Too much sugar leads to diabetes. Too many fatty foods leads to obesity. Drug use leads to the deterieration of the brain, heart and lungs. That is why you should care. Health is a semester long class that is mandatory for freshmen. This class tells you how to take care of yourself and how your decisions affect your future.

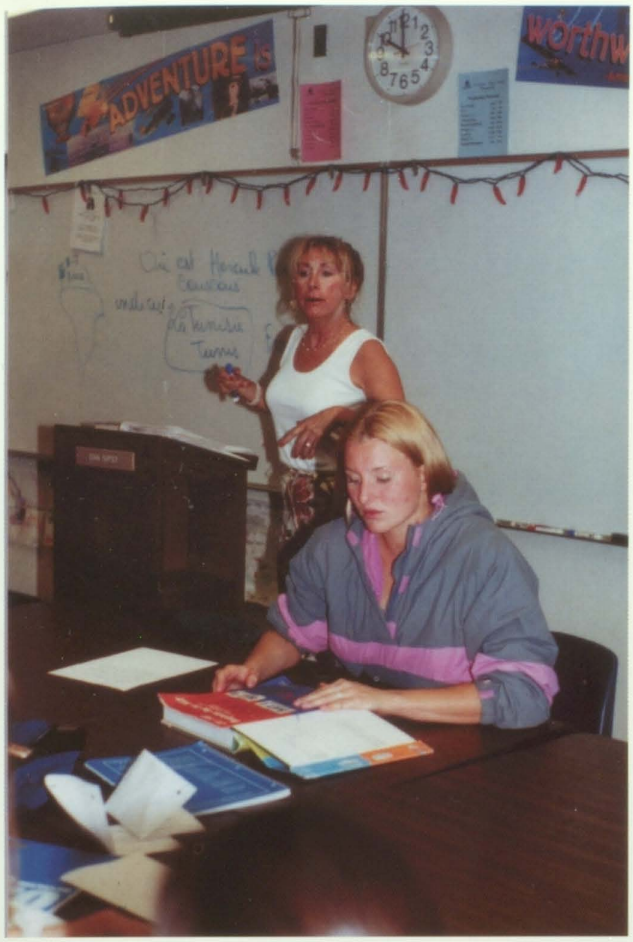
Boom! To some this word is just a loud noise, but to the freshman and sophomores here at Irvington, it means running in PE. Whether you like PE or not, you have to complete 20 units of it to graduate, and do you know why? It's supposed to get you into a routine of exercising so you can prevent future health problems from occurring.

Mr. Boelter points out, "What good is it to have a 3 million dollar job when you can't play ball with your kids?" PE is just as important as any college prep class because it helps you live a long and happy life.

America is the land of opportunity, which attracts people so culturally diverse it can only be a benefit to know another language. Spanish, French, Mandarin, and American Sign Language are offered here for college bound students. Although foreign language isn't a graduation requirement, no decent college will take you seriously without at least two years of it on your transcript.

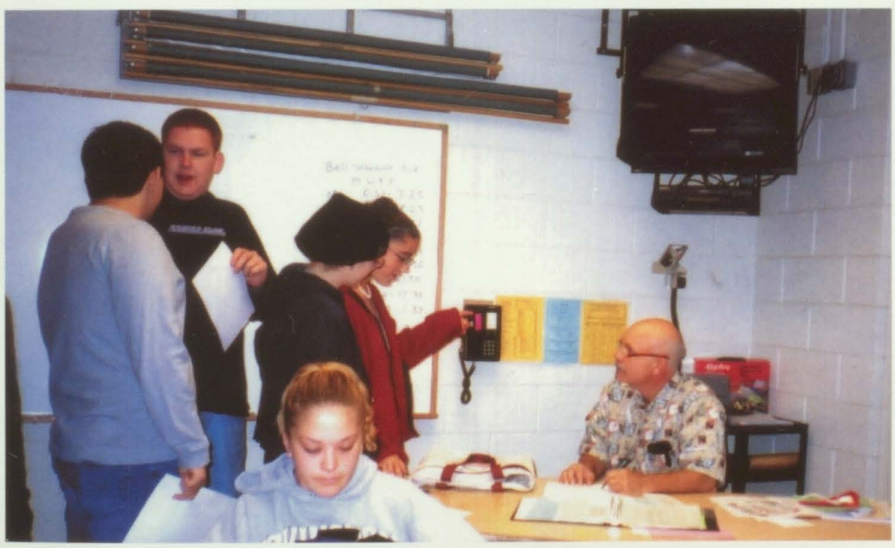
Not only that, Mr. Malzkuhn notes, "a foreign language is important to broaden your cultural views and appreciate the difference among languages in terms of structure and expression."

Standing: Mark Boelter, Steve Strout, Marian Spooner. Seated: Bill Sinnott, Kim Martin, Jeff Fern. Supine: Nels Larsen.



Ms. Anderson teaches her French class how to properly ask questions in French. Her class isn't too thrilled by the idea of having to talk only in French on their field trip this year, but they still can't wait to get a day out of school.

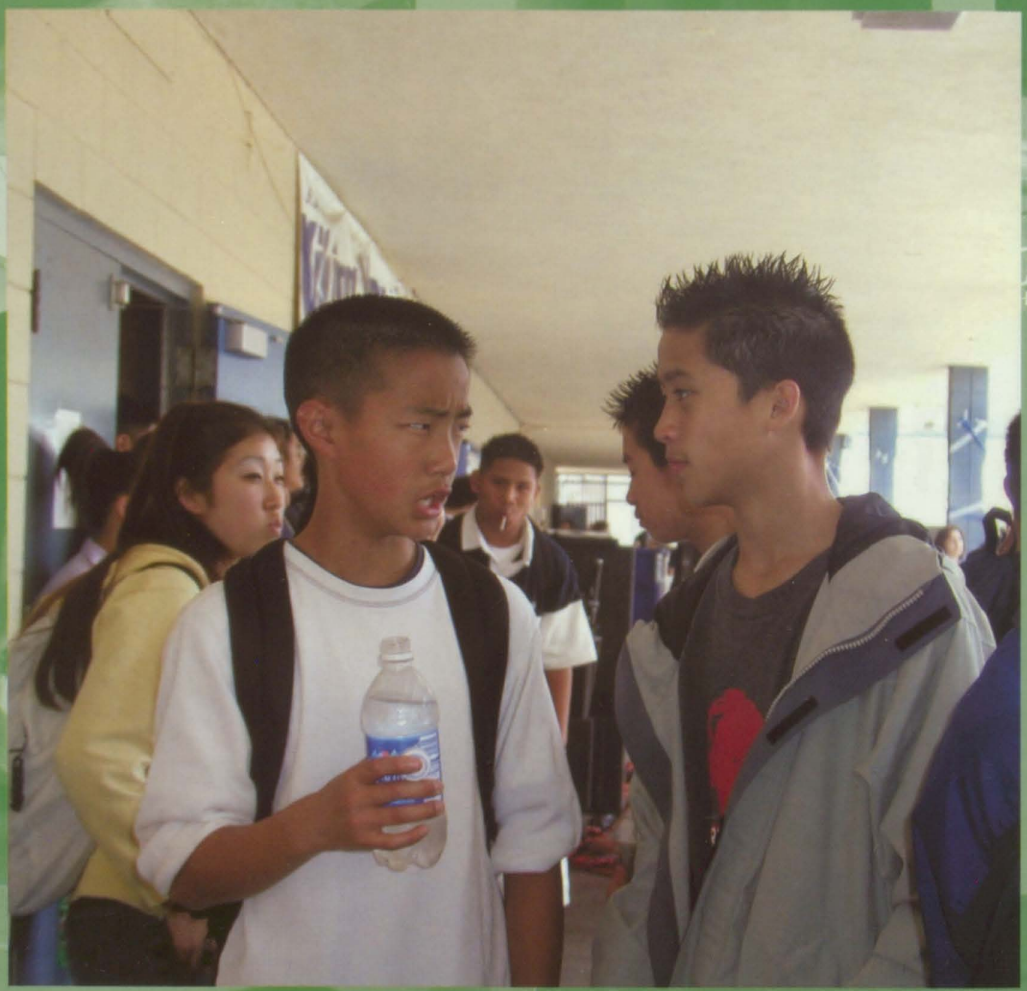
Standing: Annemarie Charlton, Alberto Ballado. Seated: Valerie Hodin, David Marshall, Debbie Yan.



ASL teachers, Shari Kido and Brian Malzkuhn, demonstrate their fingertalking skills. Teaching zero period classes means they get students with a strong sense of commitment to the program.

Mr. Malzkuhn tests his students by making them write and sign sentences.

PE teacher is just one of Mr. Strout's many roles at IHS. This multi-talented staff member also teaches Health and coaches badminton.



PHAT PHRESHMEN

By Canny Chang and Irram Khan

We are the Freshmen, the mighty, mighty Freshmen! We toppled over the Juniors this year during Spirit Week, and we succeeded in finishing our benchmark project...Well, most of us, anyway. We brought a new surge of excitement to Irvington this year, and with our class unity, we showed Irvington what it has to look forward to for the next four years. This year brought us sorrow in the beginning of the year, but with it brought a sense of community that no other class can say they have. Ultimately, our camaraderie will seep itself through the years to come. Within our little community, we met new people, learned what it was to be in high school, attended high school dances, and had a blast during Spirit Week. We are an amazing class, with people from all different backgrounds, political ideas, and capabilities. Our diversity makes us what and who we are.

Irvington High School opened its arms to us, and with it brought along some of the most important parts of our high school career. Benchmark, for one, did not only give us something to do, but it also enhanced our library skills, our study habits, and our dedication to our groups became apparent as the semester went on. We've had to learn the school-wide outcomes: social responsibility, personal responsibility, communication, and critical thinking. With these, we are sure to succeed here at Irvington. Here's to one great year, let's see three more.

Leaders of a

By Irram Khan

Freshmen may not be top dogs, but we aren't ignored, either. Homaira Hosseini and Azeta Hatef are our ASB officers for the year 2001-2002. Do you wonder what ASB does? "Fund raising, Spirit Week and some other things," says Homaira. They deal with just about the same amount of stuff as the older officers. You think just being a Freshmen is a lot of pressure? Try being that and juggling the responsibility of organizing things for your *whole* class. "There is a lot of pressure being a freshmen and an officer because you are new to every-

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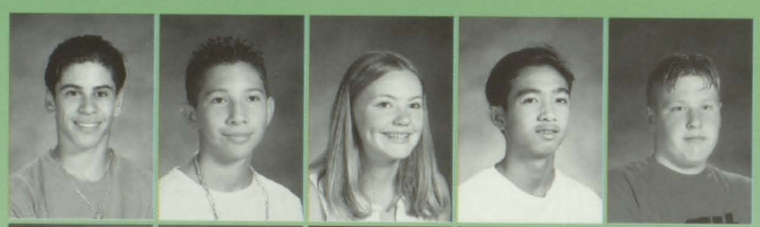

Our leaders show their dedication to their responsibility at Maze Day signing people up in the gym to participate in the various events of the upcoming Spirit Week. They came early in the moring to help set up and stayed afterwards to help clean up. Keep up the good work girls!!

JORGE ALFARO
KAYLA ALLEN
KASSANDRA AMARAL
ARIEL AMBERDEN
DONNA ANDROWSKY
ARIEL AREVALO
KATHLEEN ASHLEY
KUSH BABBAR

NYSSA BACA
REZA BAHADUR
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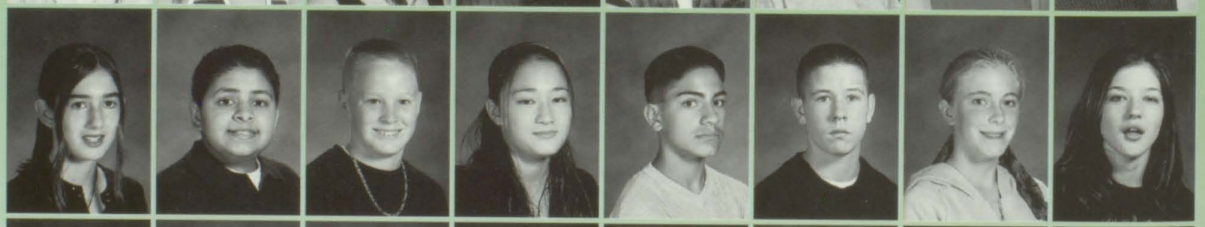

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ASHLEY BOGUE
ISAAC BOLIVAR
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JO ANNA BRIGNOLO
MAYAN BRONSHTEIN
NICOLE BROOKS

New Beginning

thing," mentions Azeta. However, these two class leaders adapted just fine, from the looks of it. They carry more work than other freshmen, but they can handle it, which is exactly why the rest of the ASB officers chose them as the leaders of the freshmen class.

Our officers hope to make this year better than ever and they especially want to get the newest group of students at Irvington as spirited and involved in everything as they can. They enjoy being in ASB, "It's a lot of fun!!" Homaira said excitedly. They also like meeting all these new people both in and out of the Leadership family. It also helps them get used to the new environment here at IHS. Good luck you guys, represent '05 to the fullest!!

At lunch, our hard-working leaders, Azeta and Homaira, take a nice break. They relax and have some snacks with friends Emmy Jamison and Kristine Lee in the courtyard.

All work and no play would make our ASB officers dull. But don't worry, Azeta and Homaira always remember to have some fun in the courtyard during lunch to unwind.

BRITTANY BROWN
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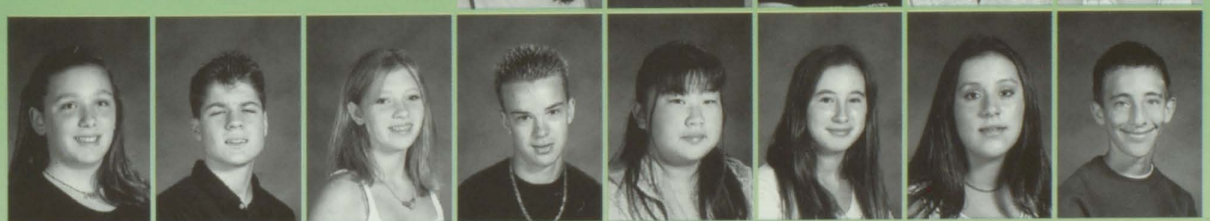

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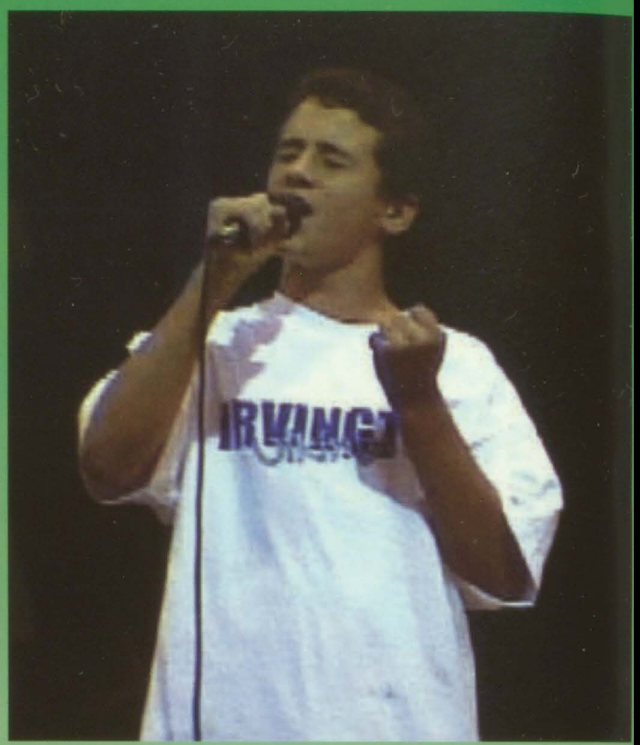
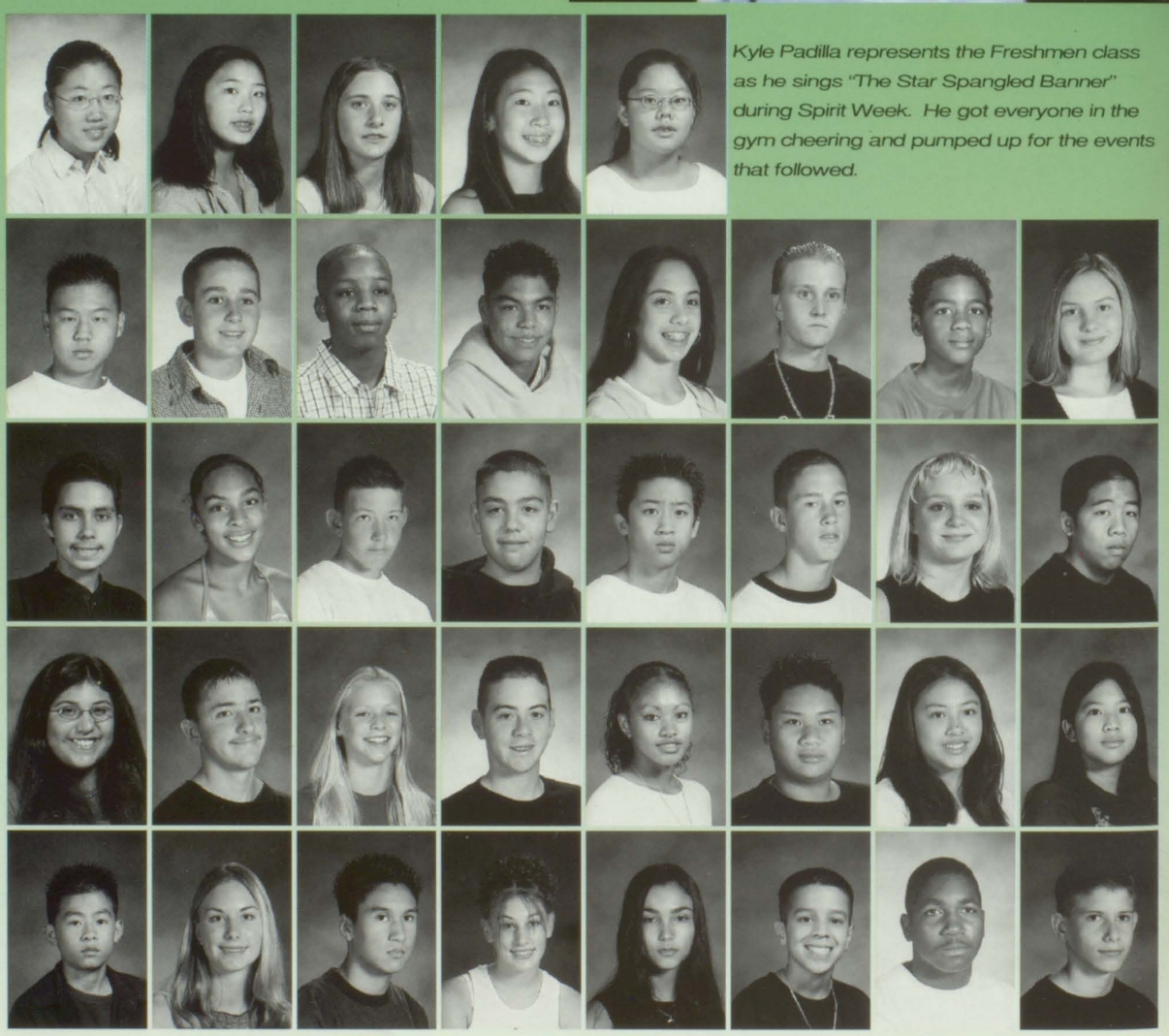
'05 PRIDE

By Irram Khan

You have heard of class rivals such as freshmen v.s. sophomores, or juniors v.s. seniors, but you never see any real "action". Well every year, to show off our school spirit, not to mention class pride, Irvington puts on a "Spirit Week". This is a week where you can go all our crazy about your class because after all, that's why it's called SPIRIT week. The way they go about this is every class gets assigned their own day, and on that day your class puts up the city that was prepared on benchbuilding meetings. The city gets displayed in front of the courtyard and reflects your class, not the school. During lunch that same day, your class performs your dance and skit. The city, skit, and dance is then judged on a point scale. Then Friday the scores are tallied and the top scorer is announced at the Homecoming game. This year the senior won, but all the classes put up a good fight and when you think back to the events Irvington can say they have many people who are happy to be Vikings!!



Kyle Padilla represents the Freshmen class as he sings "The Star Spangled Banner" during Spirit Week. He got everyone in the gym cheering and pumped up for the events that followed.



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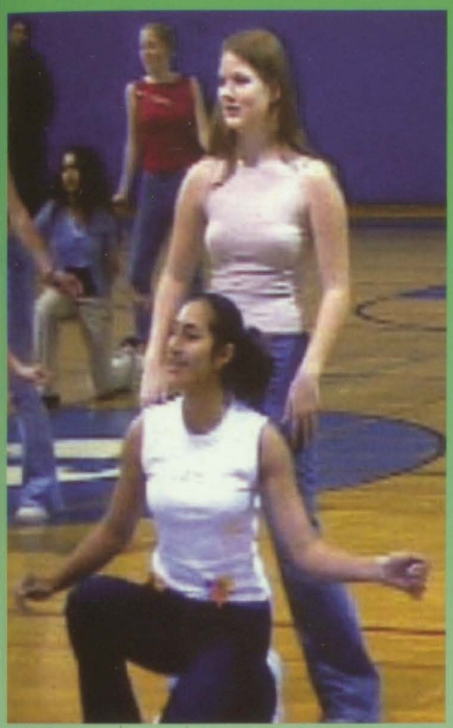
Sarah Khanghahi and Alison King show off their dance skills in the gym during Spirit Week. Freshmen dominated Spirit Week with an inventive "stomp" dance routine.



Lakeisha Ingram plays her role as the grumpy coach in the Freshmen skit. She used her attitude and authority to whip her "students" into shape.

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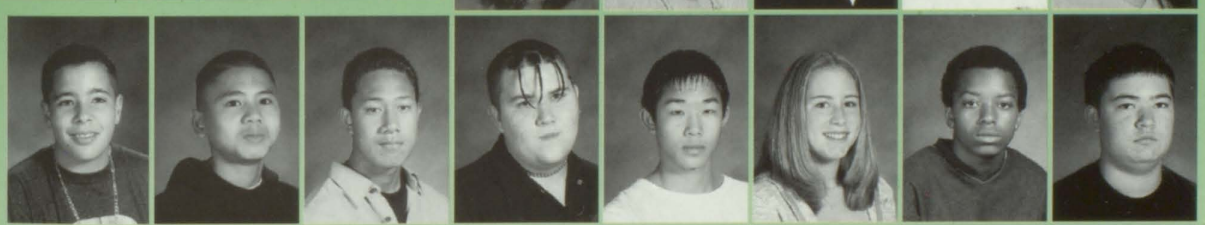

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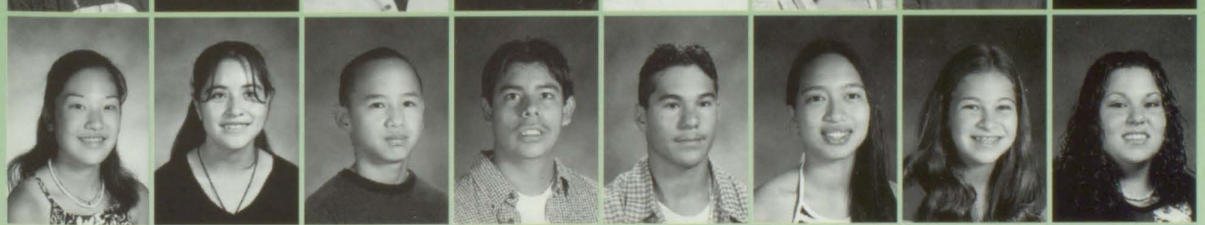

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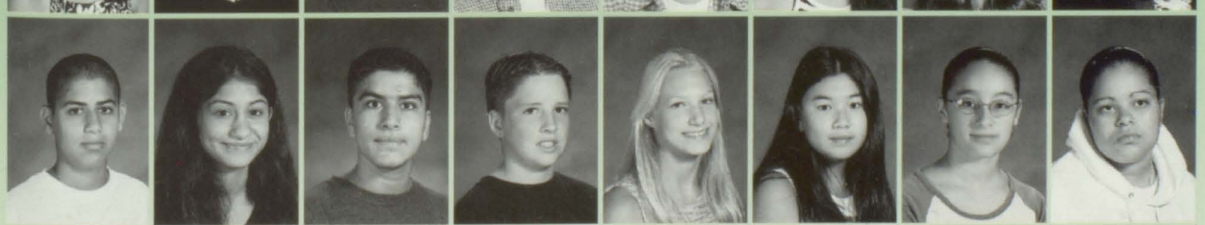

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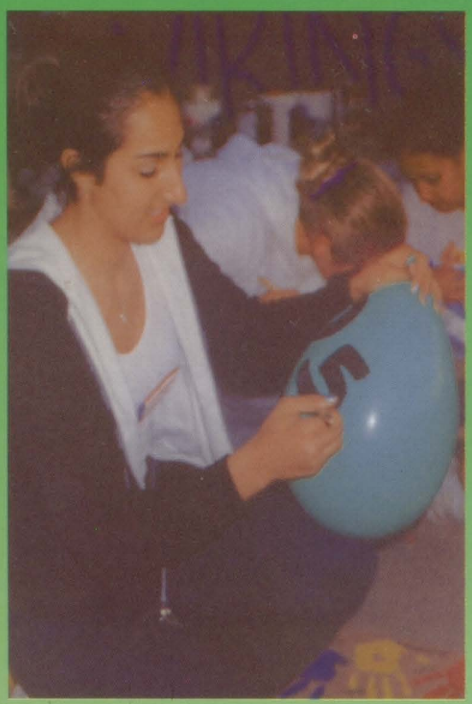
CARLY GREEN
JULIA GREEN
GURCHETAN GREWAL

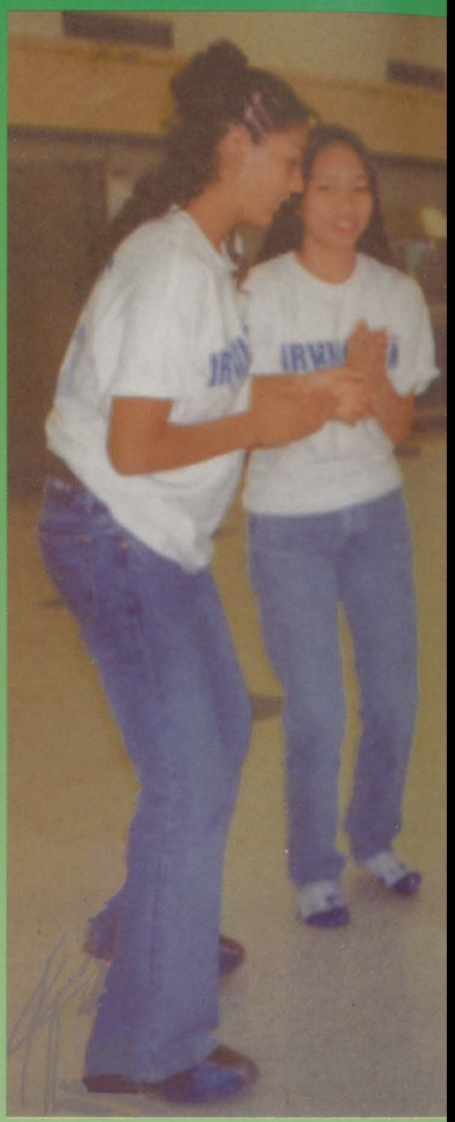
By Canny Chang

Spirit Week is one of the best and funnest weeks at school. Even though each class only gets one day all to themselves throughout this 5 day period, the preparation leading up to that day is fun and brings people together.

It was no easy task to put together a skit, dance, and props, but we pulled it off and did a great job. Since the first day of school, up until Spirit Week, Hard working freshmen attended meetings every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, to rehearse the dance routine, practice the skit, and build the city. Sound simple? Well there are certain rules that had to be followed. Everyone was only allowed to work until 8 p.m. every day, and all materials used had to be donated, which means **nothing** can be store-bought.

Sarah Khanghah makes some final decorations in the to add to the freshmen city. The display featured the Chinatown of San Francisco





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Benchbuilding

These hard working Freshmen girls rehearse their dance number once more in the courtyard before having to perform it to the whole school for Spirit Week. Their determination and effort showed the school what Freshmen are really made of.

Julia O'connell, Roxanne Garcia, Emmy Jamison, and Sarah Khanghahi add some finishing touches to their dance in the gym before Spirit Week . They worked so hard to make it perfect and it showed when they delivered a stunning performance the following week.

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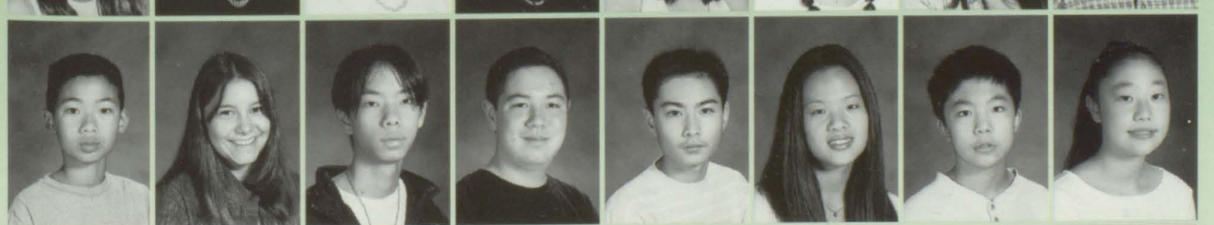

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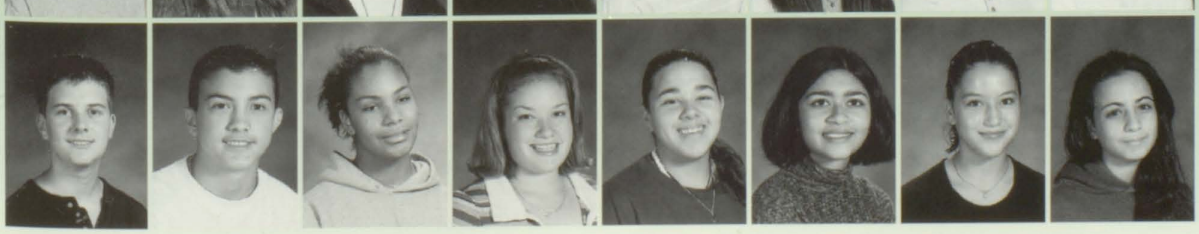

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What do

By Canny Chang

There are many things that easily influence teenagers today. they can often give us the wrong view point of something, such as high school. Television has pictured high school as a tough enviroment for freshmen. Consisting of loads of homework, difficult teachers, and peer pressure. Those opinions are what may make freshmen picture high school as a scary enviroment or fear it. However, not everyone has that same perspection. When *you* look at the word high school what do you think of? Does it measure up to all the hype you see or hear from television or not?

I think of meeting new people and making some new friends. It's sorta different from what I thought because I thought since I'm a freshmen, older kids would be jerks, but they're not.

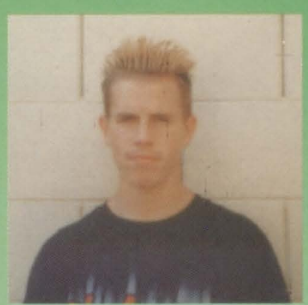
-Carly Lean

I think of the same things...it's actually more time-consumming, stressful than I thought it would be...

-Sonia Hingrajia

School stinks! Slipknot rules!

-Elliot Loewenstein



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you think?

By Irram Khan

Transition is never easy, espicially when you have to deal with intimidation from older students. You ruled the school in Junior High but now thats all over. You are once again the youngest in the school with even more students than in eighth grade. Feeling nervous or scared? Well you are not the only one. Alll freshmen go through this change and its never easy. The best thing to do is probably just to adjust as best you can. How are you dealing with this transition and how does it feel to once again be the "little kids" in the school?

Truly, I don't see much of a difference between high school and junior high. Since high school just has more responcibility and homework involved. I really don't feel like "little kids" students here don't seem like they really care if we are younger.

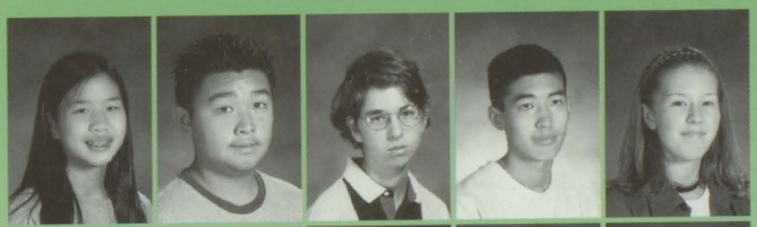
-Angie Bui

Coming from Hopkins, I miss all my friends, but I think it was a good change because I like Irv. and I'm proud to be a viking. I don't like being the "little kid" again, but the older kids are nice.

-Michelle Doerner

I'm dealing with the transition fine. I don't consider myself as a "little kid", just a new student at a higher level. I feel the same as I always have.

-Roxy "MzZz Blue" Garcia



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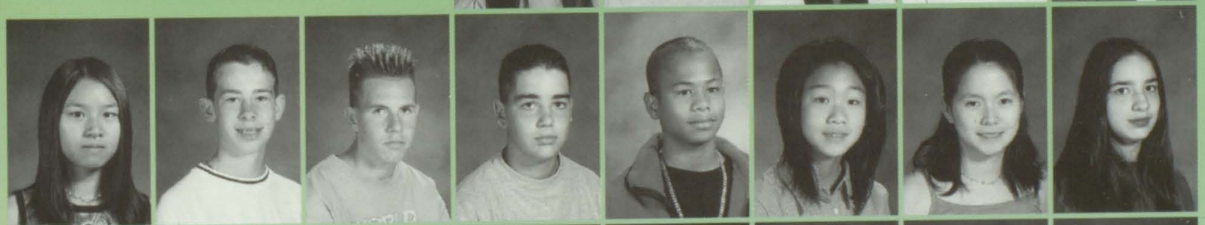

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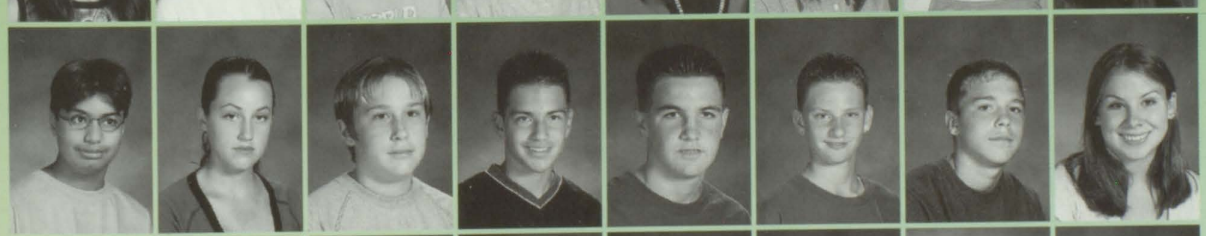

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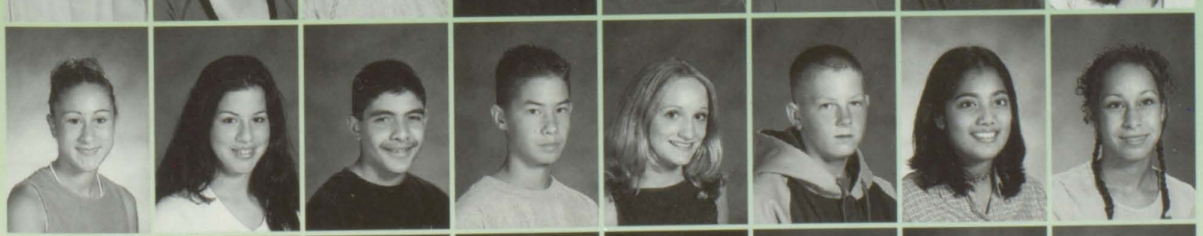

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CHRISTA MEIER

a CLOSER look...

By Irram Khan

Think being a freshmen here at Irvington is hectic? Well one freshmen begs to differ. Raof Tarazi says that he has it pretty easy in his first year of high school. I know you probably think that it's improbable he isn't as stressed out or worried about grades as you are. But he can usually lighten things up with his funny sense of humor.

Raof walks to school every morning with his good friend Scott Mora. His first class is his foreign language elective, French, with Ms. Hodin. "I can barely speak english in the morning, so that makes french even harder," he said. Guess he should get a bit more sleep at night...

Next he goes to the class which should have no problem waking him up, PE with Mr. Larson. All Raof had to say was, "I like basketball so I like PE." Basketball is his favorite sport and he'll probably try out for the team this year. After educational studies, it's off to class kind of stresses him out because he spends the most of his afternoon doing the homework assignments. "There's just too much homework in math! My teacher gives us too much stuff." he says unhappily. Then its time for the last period before everyone's favorite time, (Lunch!) which for Raof is Honors English with Ms. Samrick. During lunch Raof goes with his friends to the gas station and grabs some snacks. Occasionally they also like to go to Bronco Billy's and get a few slices of pizza. After some relaxing food and some time to rest his mind, he heads over to room P-8 for science with his favorite teacher Ms. Nguyen. "The class is kinda hard, but I like the teacher," says Raof. Finally, he has reached the last period of the day. The final place he must go before we can go home and relax. Where does Raof go? To digital drawing with Ms. Roman. This is an easy class for him, and he got to create a bunch of designs and graphics on the computer.

After school, Raof walks home and spends his afternoon doing his homework and watching TV. Sometimes he also plays a little basketball or video games.

That just about does it as we finish taking a closer look into the day of Raof Tarazi. Thanks for cooperating with us and being such a good sport!

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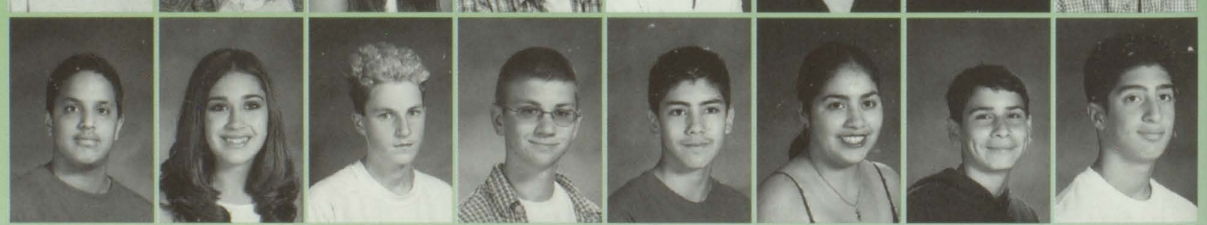

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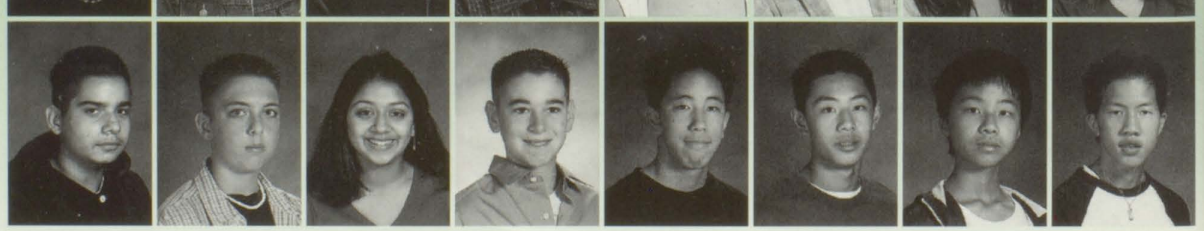
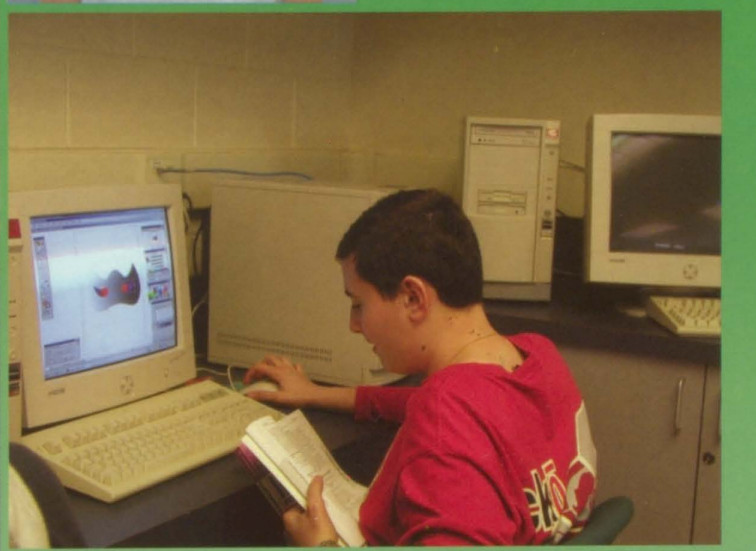
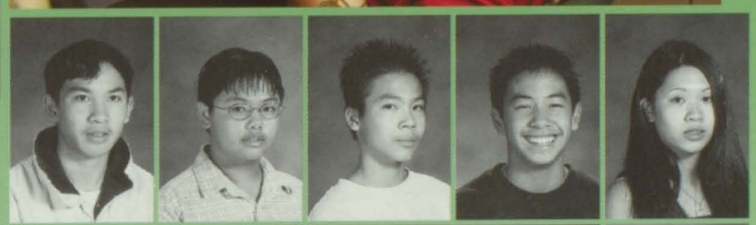


Here is Raof hard at work in Ms. Roman's digital drawing class. Even though her class is only a semester Raof got to create a bunch of graphic designs and work with different computer programs.

Roaf stops by his locker after lunch to pick up his books before going to science. He has a long way to walk so he better hurry!!





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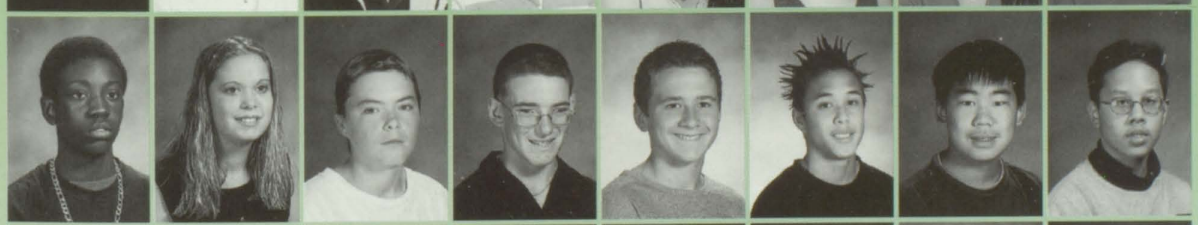

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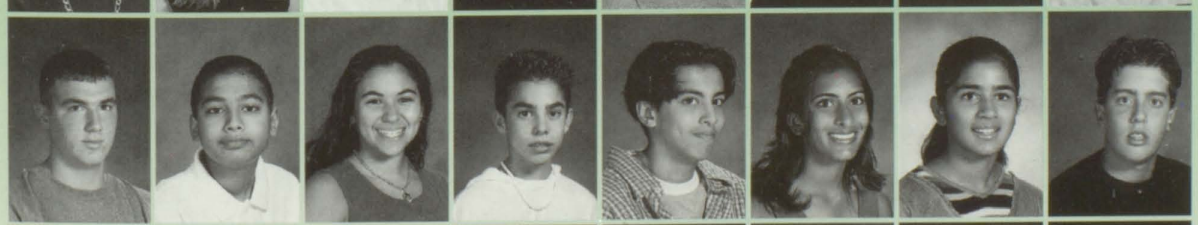

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Sarah McGaffey and her friend Carly Lean review their English notes out back by the track. Hope it's for a good cause!!

We R

By Irram Khan

Is having one of your parents work at our school a nightmare? You'd think they'd embarrass you and bring more bad than good. But for these freshmen it isn't a dream, it's reality. First we have the father-daughter pair of William and Sarah McGaffey. Mr. McGaffey is a custodian here at our wonderful school . He has been working here for about two years to keep our campus nice and clean. To Sarah, it is fun having her dad work here. " the part of it I love the most is is how I get my locker and books first! I can also come to school whever I want." With all that, who can disagree? Mr. McGaffey is proud to see his little girl going here, in fact, he and his wife also graduated from Irvington. "It's a family school," he said, with a smile.

Sarah and her dad, William McGaffey, pose for a quick smile in their humble home before heading off. Although they don't see each other often in school, their love is still there.

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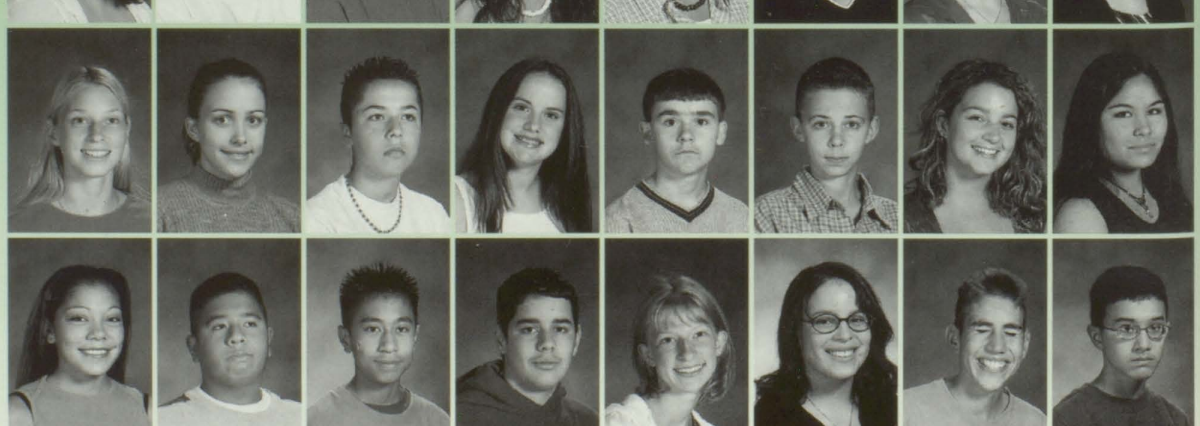

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ERICA SANBORN
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JESUS SANDOVAL
WILLIAM SANSONE

Family!

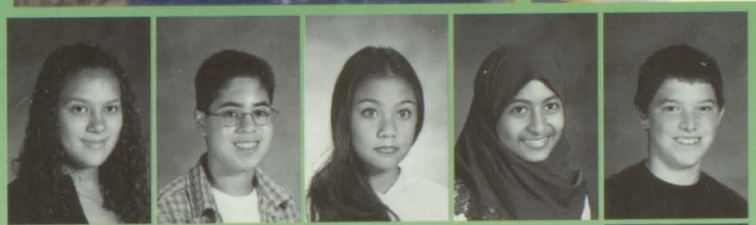
By Canny Chang

Debbie Yan, or as most students know her, "Mrs. Yan," is the Mandarin and algebra teacher here at IHS. That's not all she is though, she's also the mother of a bright freshmen named Karen Yan. "Having my mom here isn't that big of a difference. When I pass her in the hall, I usually say 'Hi' and stuff. I hear my friends say that my mom's nice all the time." Mrs. Yan also enjoys having her daughter so close by. "I can always watch her or talk to her if I need to, and she comes in my room to have a nice lunch with me sometimes."

At first, Karen did feel a little embarrassed having her mom with her at school everyday. But as time passed, she was OK with it. "We get along well with each other." they both agreed happily.

Debbie and Karen Yan pose for a loving picture outside Mrs. Yan's classroom. Their mother-daughter bond is strengthened by being at school together.

Karen Yan is lucky to have a math teacher for a mom. It's especially convenient when she has questions about her own math homework.



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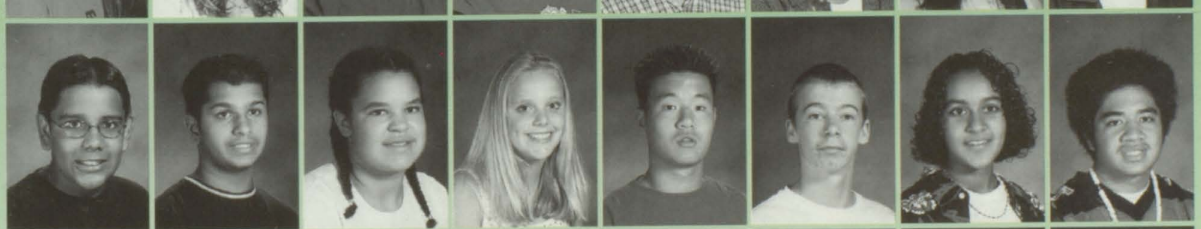

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ASHITA SONI
MATHEW SOSA
DMITRI SOUKHININE

FRESH

Far Away Friend

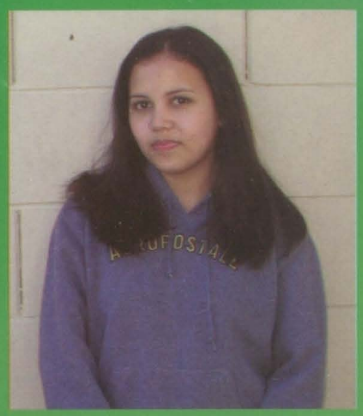
By Irram Khan

The day we met I was ignorant,
I didnt care I just lived my life

Not soon after I got to know you,
we were friends, we knew eachother

As time passed on I started to feel
but i didn't want to admit it to myself
you were my friend and thats all

I wish i could tell you how i feel
but now its too late, you are gone,
you are out of my life,
you have become a far away friend...



By Emmy Jamison

I should have kept it to myself
and not let anybody know
but I couldn't hold it in
I just had to let it go.

I thought of you differently
it didn't seem like just my friend
but now I've ruined everything,
our friendship has come to an end.

I miss just talking
and laughing about stupid things...
I miss knowing if was you
when the telephone would ring...

Now we don't say a word,
we go days without saying hi.
I wish I could try to cover it up
and tell everyone it was a lie.

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DESIREE SPRINGS
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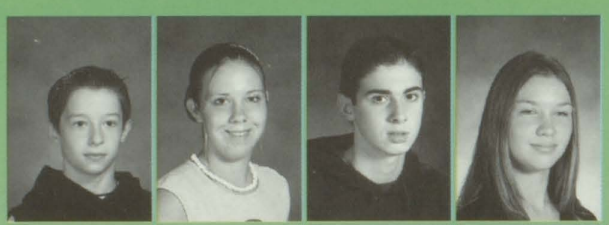
ASHLEY STAUFFER



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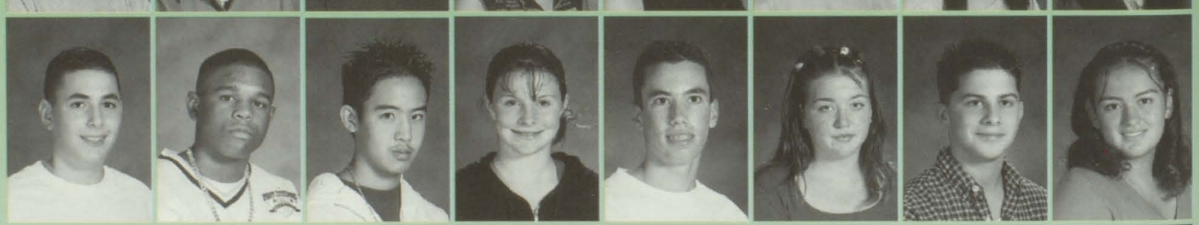

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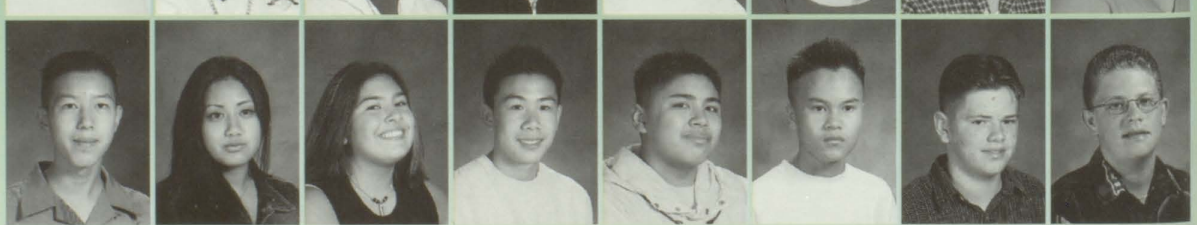

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ANDREW VARGAS
ABEL VERA
CHELSEY VICK
ROBERT VILLA
ERIC VILLALOBOS

POETS

Thank You

By Valerie Romero

Looking out from
this cocoon I'm in
I'm not quite sure
how to begin

Like a bird whose
never flown
Will I fall or fly
when on my own?

Time speeds by
the day draws near
When I'll be torn from
those I hold dear

They'll help, they say
They'll always be there
to check on me
see how I fare

Once I leave
this nest, my base
Can I handle the trouble
I'll have to face?

Yes, I can
I've been well taught
By both those I've
loved and fought

Silver Arrow

By Julia Green

Your single silver arrow,
released from its silver bow,
It travels fast, I've fallen faster,
It hits the mark, creates disaster.

Intent is gone, reasons unfulfilled,
It wounds never to be stilled,
For with one single shot,
You hit my heart and left it to clot.

STEPHANIE WALKER
JUSTIN WANG
YANG WANG
COURTNEY WEAVER

RYAN WEBSTER
VICTOR WEI
WHITNEY WIGGINS
AMANDA WILLIAMS
ASHLEY WILLIAMS
SEKELA WILLIS
DONALD WILSON
AMANDA WINKLEY

ALEXANDER WONG
ANDREW WOO
MATTHEW WOOD
MENG XIAO
PRIYANK YADAV
KAREN YAN
AMY YANG
CHRISTOPHER YANG

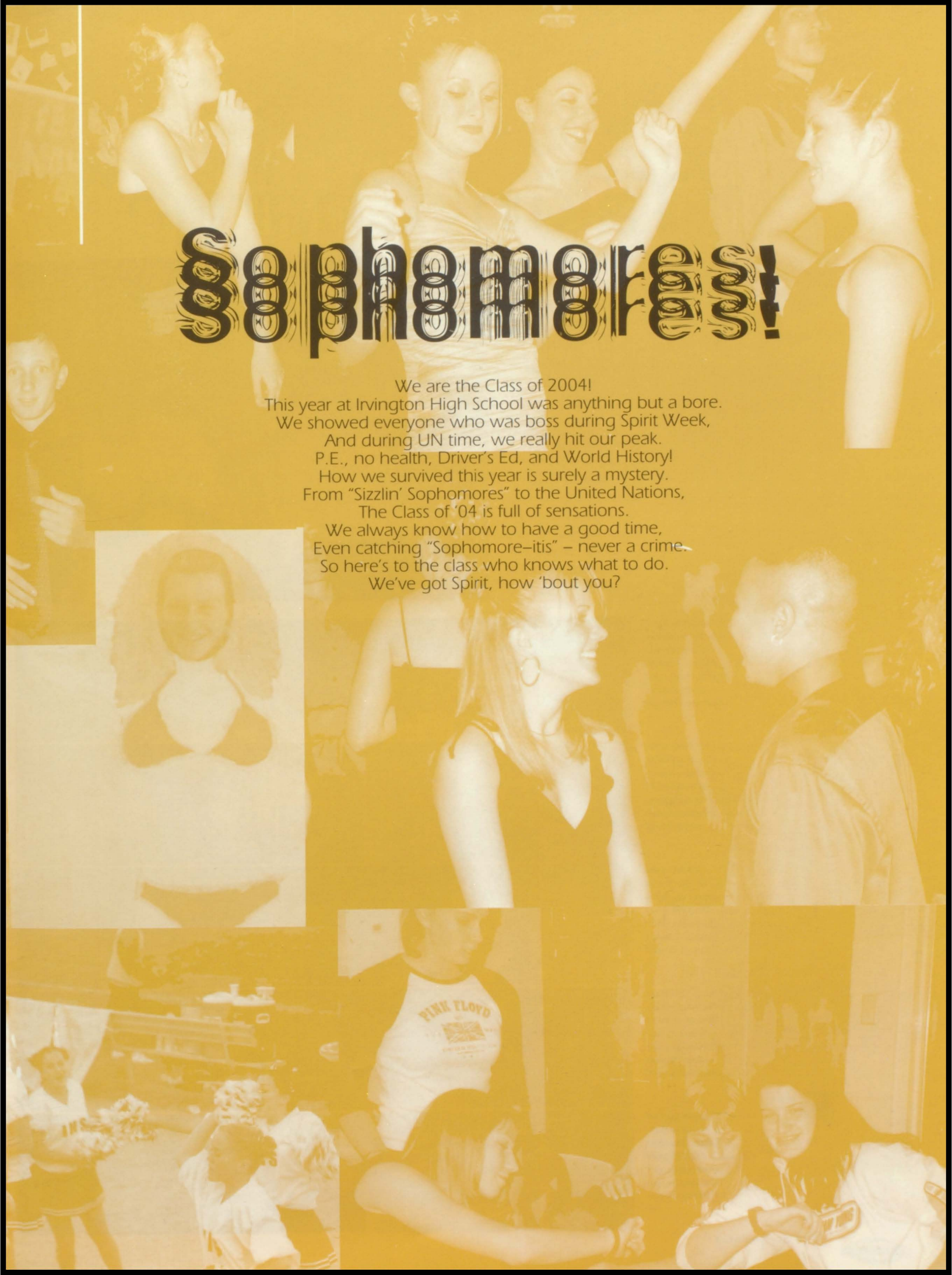
JESSICA YANG
RICHARD YANG
SAMUEL YANG
ERIC YAUGER
ELIZABETH YEE
STEVEN YEE
JANE YI
JASON YIM

CYNTHIA YUEN
BO ZHANG
TENGXIANG ZHANG
YI ZHANG
ZHIFENG ZHU
BASSAM ZIADEH
JEFFREY ZMOLEK
CHRISTOPHER ZURITA

Friends since the very beginning, this crowd is always there for each other. They cheer each other up when they are sad, or cheer on the Sophomores during Battle of the Grades. This kind of friendship demonstrates the true essence of the sophomore class spirit.

Sophomores!

We are the Class of 2004!
This year at Irvington High School was anything but a bore.
We showed everyone who was boss during Spirit Week,
And during UN time, we really hit our peak.
P.E., no health, Driver's Ed, and World History!
How we survived this year is surely a mystery.
From "Sizzlin' Sophomores" to the United Nations,
The Class of '04 is full of sensations.
We always know how to have a good time,
Even catching "Sophomore–itis" – never a crime.
So here's to the class who knows what to do.
We've got Spirit, how 'bout you?



Takin' Charge

Ashley Juenger and Liz Choo give a big "04" hand sign during a benchbuilding meeting. As this year's officers, these girls have show the rest of the classes what the Sophomores are all about.

Trisha Abad
Andrew Adame
Ankit Agarwal
Ashish Agrawal
Bryan Alejandrino
Patrick Allan
Melissa Alvernaz

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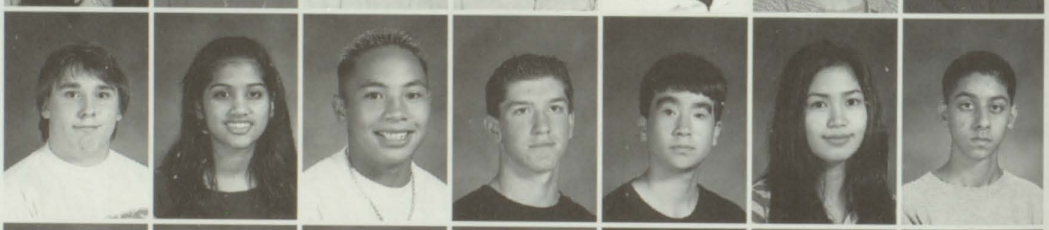
Jeanette Arevalo
Haris Ashraf



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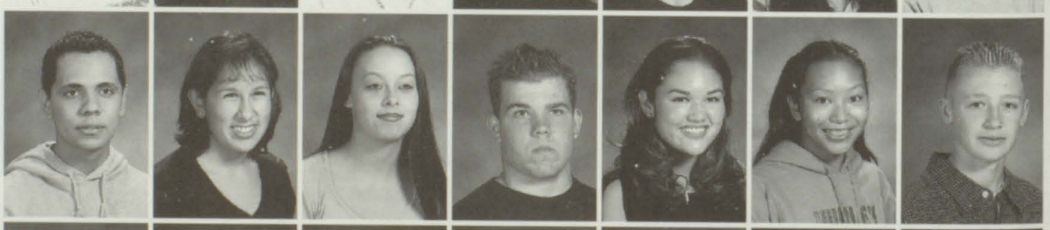

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Winnie Barquero
Julio Barreto
Michael Barrett

Rafael Barrios
Jon Bath
Taellon Bautista
Punit Bavishi
Leonard Baxter
Thomas Becerra
Nathan Berge

By Nikita Patel

Name: Elizabeth Choo (a.k.a. Liz). Position: Sophomore Class President. Mission: "Get a lot of money in our bank!"

Meet her counterpart:

Name: Ashley Juenger. Position: Sophomore Class Vice-President. Mission: "To make representing '04 fun!"

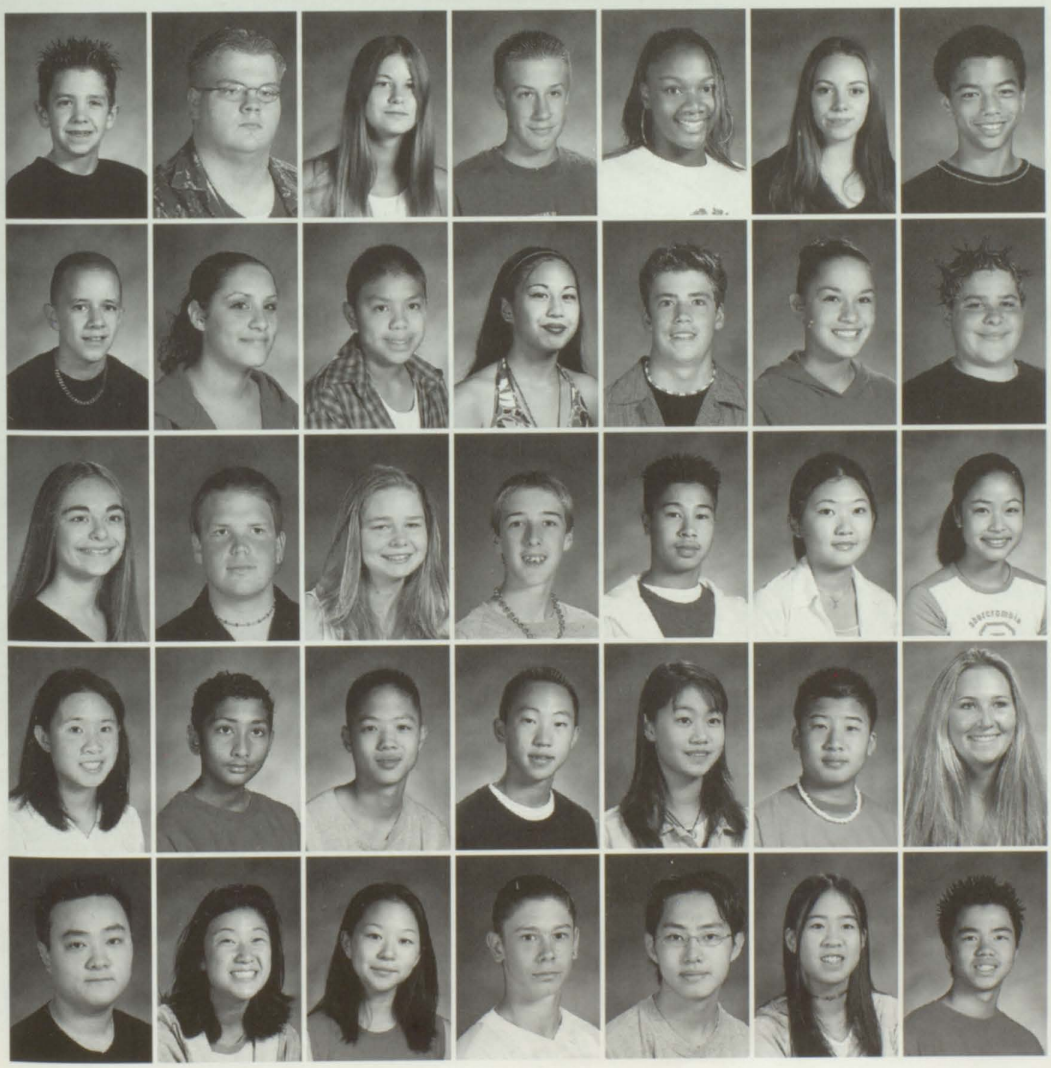
Now that you have met these prominent leaders at IHS, let's get into their brilliant minds and find out what's going on behind-the-scenes of the Sophomore Vikes.

"[Leadership] is so much fun. Everyone is loud and it's really exciting to be a part of it," Ashley exclaims. Liz agrees. She loves how everyone in the class is so friendly and happy, just like her, and how they set such good examples for her.

As it is known, homeoming is the time when the fresh new officers' creativity and leadership skills are put to the test. These girls had to work hard together to get everyone pumped up for their class bench, dance, and skit. "We're so totally compatible and help eachother out a lot," Liz states, "and Ashley is so easy to get along with!"

These girls represent 2004 power (and not to mention GIRL power!) and they obviously know their stuff as leaders, but what really makes us proud is tht they always are thinking the same thing: "We are so the most spirited and fun class EVER!"

So the final question is asked: Mission accomplished? Oh, you betcha! In that case, this message will self-destruct in 5 seconds...



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Wendy Breen
Alexander Broom

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Christina Bucedi
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Jason Cain
Michelle Calderon
Christopher Campbell

Katrina Carlo
Thomas Carrillo
Angela Cash
James Castelhano
Adam Catigan
Fanny Chan
Genevieve Chan

Jennifer Chan
Jayaram Chandrasekar
Yu-lan Chang
Andrew Chen
Samantha Chen
Albert Cheng
Cassidy Cheskiewicz

Kwan Fai Choi
Elizabeth Choo
Jennifer Chou
Michael Christensen
Kuang-chi Chu
Melody Chu
Vu Chu

Sizzlin' Sophomores

By Aliyah Wong

"We are sophomores! We are the best! We're gonna put you to the test!" That was the anthem this year as the sophomore class proved we really were the best in the games, skit and dance, second only to the seniors. Our theme was one of the hottest around: Sizzlin' Summer Sophomores. To show class spirit, each day was themed to be a sub-theme of summer. Monday, with the most successful turnout, was class t-shirt day. Tuesday was the theme day (Hawaiian shirts anyone?). On Wednesday, people donned their chef's hats an aprons for Barbeque Day. Thursday was sports day where there was an array of costumes, from an atheletics doctor to a chess club geek. And Friday was, of course, Unity Day for the whole school. "This year's dress-up days were fun and easy to dress for," says Ariane Wu. And judging by the number of sophomores who did dress up, many others thought so, too.

Lydia Yang, Jayne Law and Jasmine Hum show their class spirit by wearing their class t-shirts and rooting their classmates on. We took third in the relay that day.

Meanwhile, other competitions find Kendra Sakuda, Tom Beccera, Jennifer Iso, Derek Watson, and Christy Baird in a struggle for the rope in the tug-of-war games. And although we took second again to the seniors, we beat the freshmen.

Sarah Chun
Daniel Chung
Jeremy Clabough
Jason Clarke
Dana Clifton
Christopher Cobb
Sarah Coelho

Monica Colagiovanni
Esmeraldo Conanan
Anna Cornelio
Marcella Crawford
Matthew Crowell
Kathrina Cruz
Renato Cruz

Ileana Da Silva
Amy Dave
Edward Davis
Tami Deering
Anna Lisa Deguzman
Vanessa Deguzman
Jacquelin Delatorre

Emilia Deluz
Kali Delzompo
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Nisha Desai
Jaswant Dhillon
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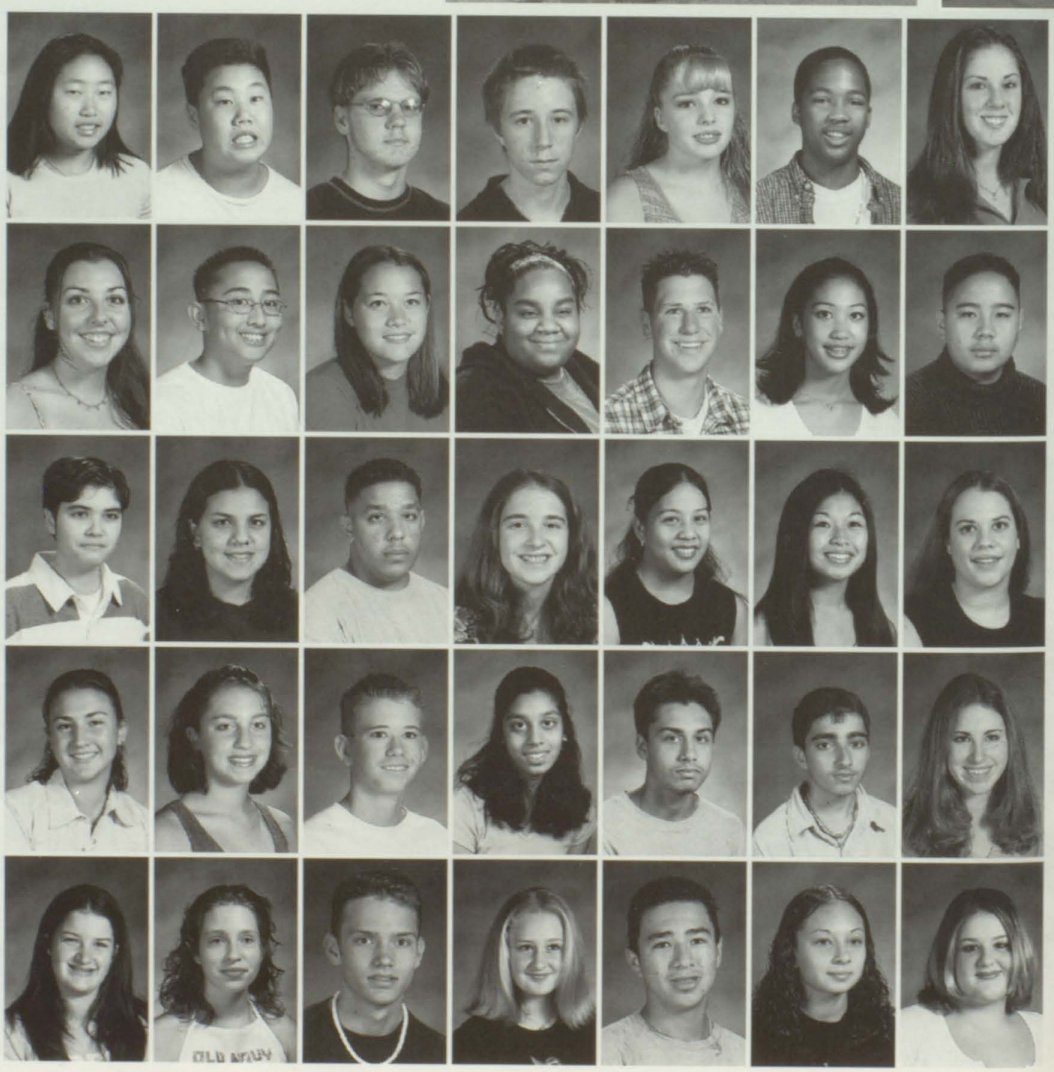
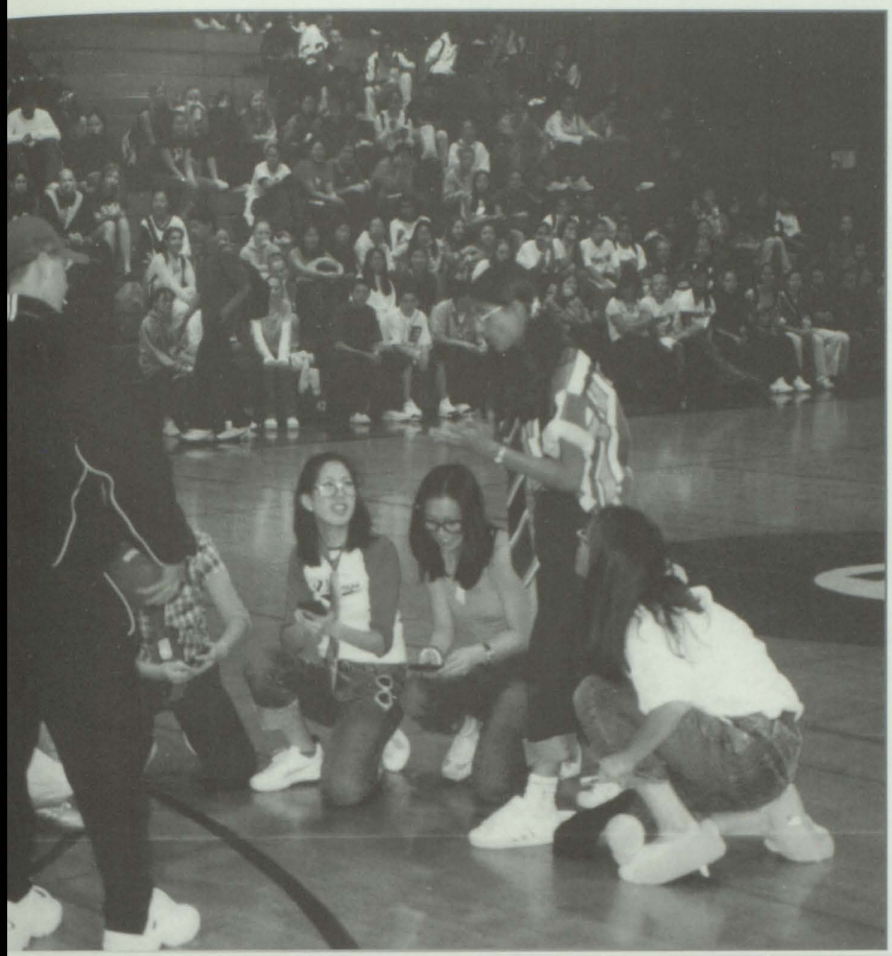
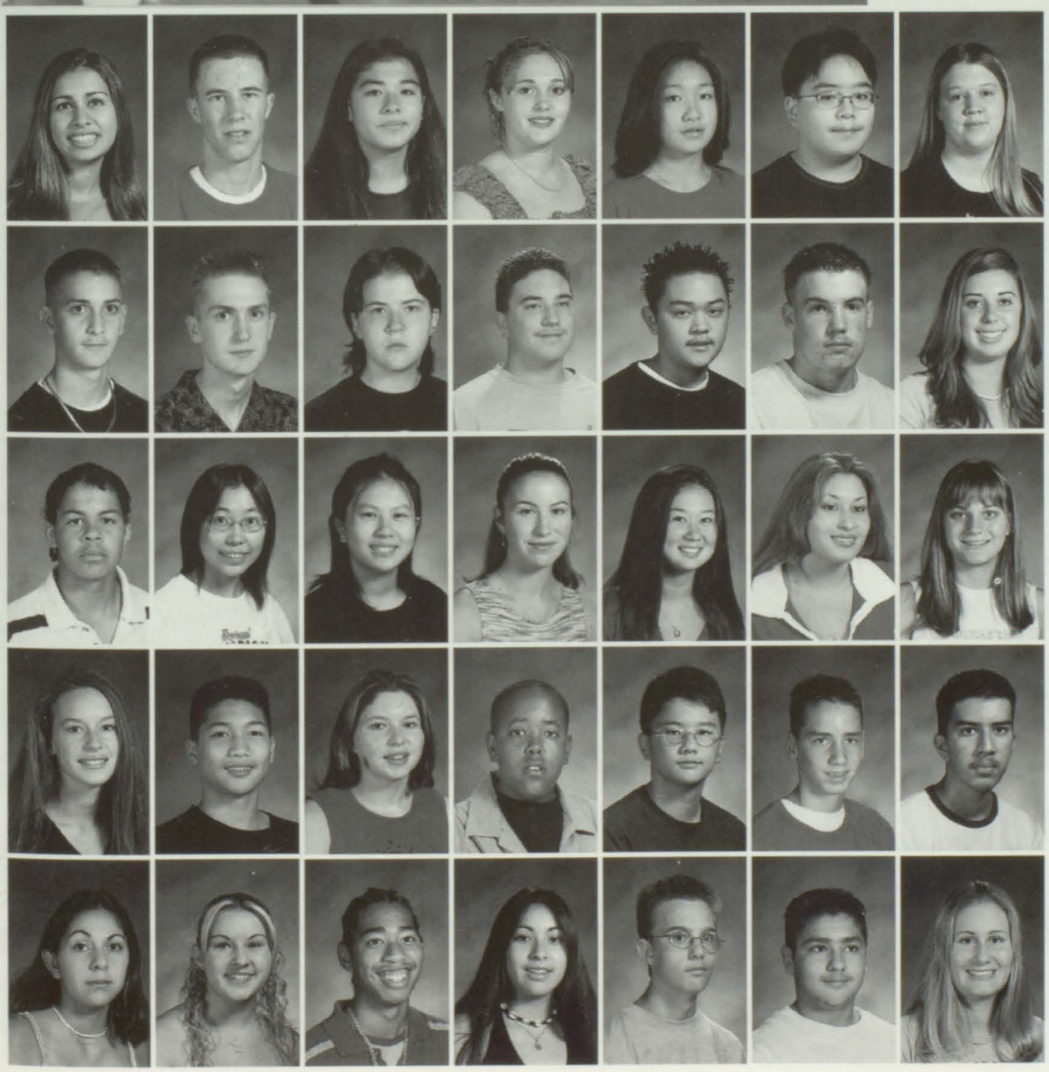




IHS's nerdy football team - Andy Tran and Jasmine Hum (hidden by the coach), Carole Liu, Grace Hsiang, Shreya Mehta, and Jennifer Yu - gets a little pep talk from Coach Matt Crowl. Shreya is quickly calculating the odds of their winning against American.

Under the skilled leadership of theclass president, Liz Choo, and vice president, Ashley Jeunger, our skit was a succes as well. For their skit, the sophomores pitted the nerds against the jocks. Erin Pangilinan and Derek Hallet reminisced to back in the day when the nerds got a chance to take the place of the IHS football team (who was too busy ogling the cheerleaders) in their homecoming game against American High School. After an amazing - and unexpected - win over American, everyone joined to dance to "Summer Jam" by Craig David.

Just goes to show that the saying is true: brains over brawn!



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Nicole Fleischman
Jonathan Flores
William Flores
Devin Foley
Amanda Ford

Dane France
Joan Fung
Rowena Fung
Gina Furiosi
Megan Gailey
Danielle Gallegos
Megan Galloway

Cynthia Garcia
Raymond Garcia
Nina Garza
Mossi Gebretnsaie
Kevin Ger
Timothy Gerber
Amit Ghodasara

Paola Godoy
Kimberly Gomes
Samuel Gomez
Rosalina Gonzalez
Charles Green
Manvigas Grewal
Lindsey Groves

With a little help from the new Viking scene on the wall, the blue waves added the final touch to the scene of surfboards and towels. The Sophomores put alot of work in collecting and making the props for the bench.

Ray Spicer sticks his face in the homecoming rival American's body to challenge his friends to try to hit him. He doesn't need to keep his fingers crossed because we all know that the Vikes can beat the Eagles.

By Nikita Patel

It all started at the end of freshman year, planning that is. The Sophomore class officers and souncil initiated meetings for the planning of the bench along with the skit and dance for homecoming in October.

When Tuesday, October 23rd hit, the sun came up with a beach and boardwalk in the middle of the IHS courtyard. A roller-coaster with names of all the members of the Sophomore class printed on the sides of the carts graced the left side of the entire display and disappeared into a black tunnel.

Inflatable dolls lay basking in the sun on colorful towels and under equally vibrant umbrellas. The interactive part of this beach was the "Take a picture with your perfect body" cutouts. Members of all classes took pictures of themselves and friends with their faces on these ideal bodies.

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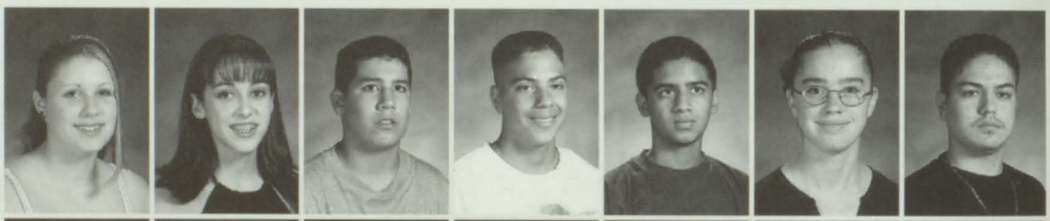

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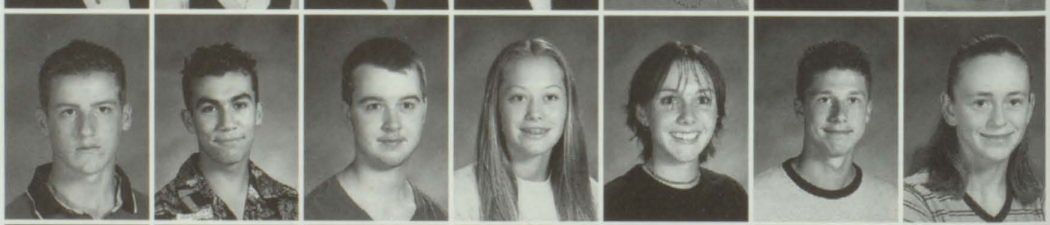

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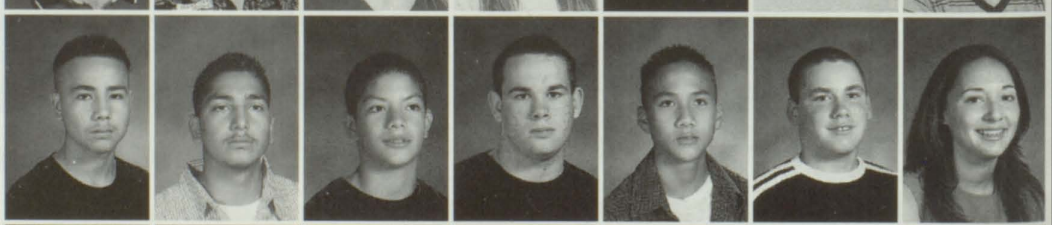

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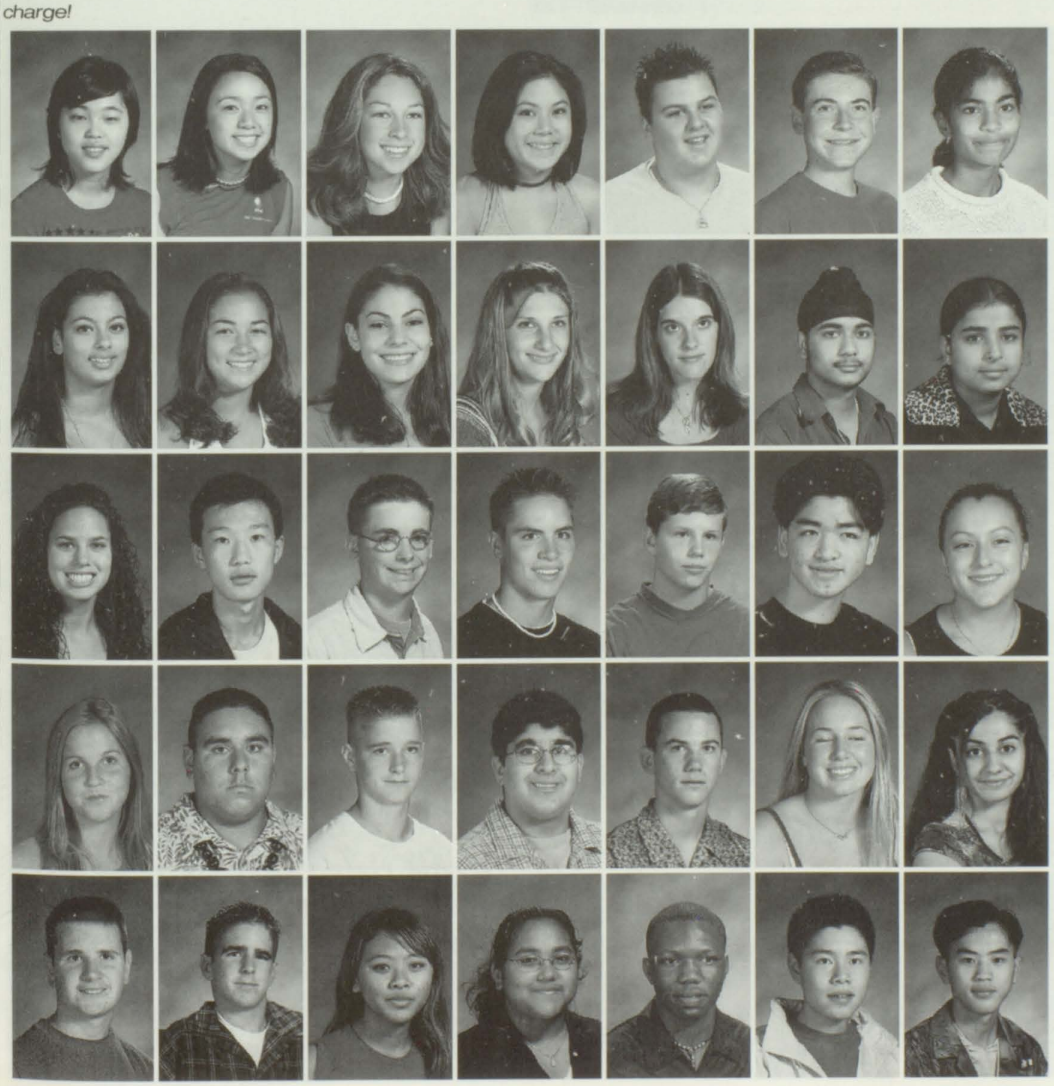
Justin Howcroft
Grace Hsiang
Jennifer Hsu
Michelle Hu
Kerry Huang

Havin' Fun in the Sun

The highly elevated 2004 lifeguard chair stands alone, while the one who occupies it must be out saving lives. The whole school breathes easier knowing that only a 2004 lifeguard is in charge!

The 2004 roller-coaster was one of the main attractions of the entire bench. The pretty pink cart, with all the members of the class of '04 was HAND-PRINTED as border and also into the shape of "2004," was very creative and eye-catching to the IHS student body and staff.

Elizabeth Choo makes a face at the strong fumes from slathering on a thick coat onto the lifeguard chair. Those fumes may be strong, Liz, but ya gotta do what ya gotta do!



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Ashley Juenger
Stephen Kalawaia
Thomas Kammerer
Atif Kamran
Anthony Katen
Ashley Kendall
Seher Khan

Michael Kinghorn
Dean Kirk
Janet Koy
Amanda Kumar
Colins Kutondo
Bryan Lai
Percy Lai

Decisions, Decisions

By Nikita Patel

Two things come to mind when you say "Sophomore at IHS": UN and car! Two things that Sophmores stress about are the UN benchmark and what kind of car they want when they get their license. We asked a variety of students these questions and picked out the best answers.

"When and if you get your license, what dream car would you like to be seen driving to school?"

"An Ice Cream Truck! They're so small. The music is so cool!"
–Brian Lee

" I totally want the new silver Honda Eclipse. It looks really cool and sleek."
–Angela Cash

"A fat, blue truck so I can run things over and jump curbs. I want all my friends in the back, too."
–Hasan Misherghi

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Wendy Lao
Jayne Law
Christopher Lay
Brian Lee
Janey Lee
Kristin Lee

Merritt Lee
Toni Leggett
Albert Leo
Lydia Leonard
Catherine Leong
Lit Leong
Joyce Leung

Leilani Lezada
Kai Li
Qian Li
Carol Lieu
Jessica Lieu
Allison Ligh
Evelyn Lim

Vincent Ling
Haoyang Liu
Jennifer Low
Joshua Ludden
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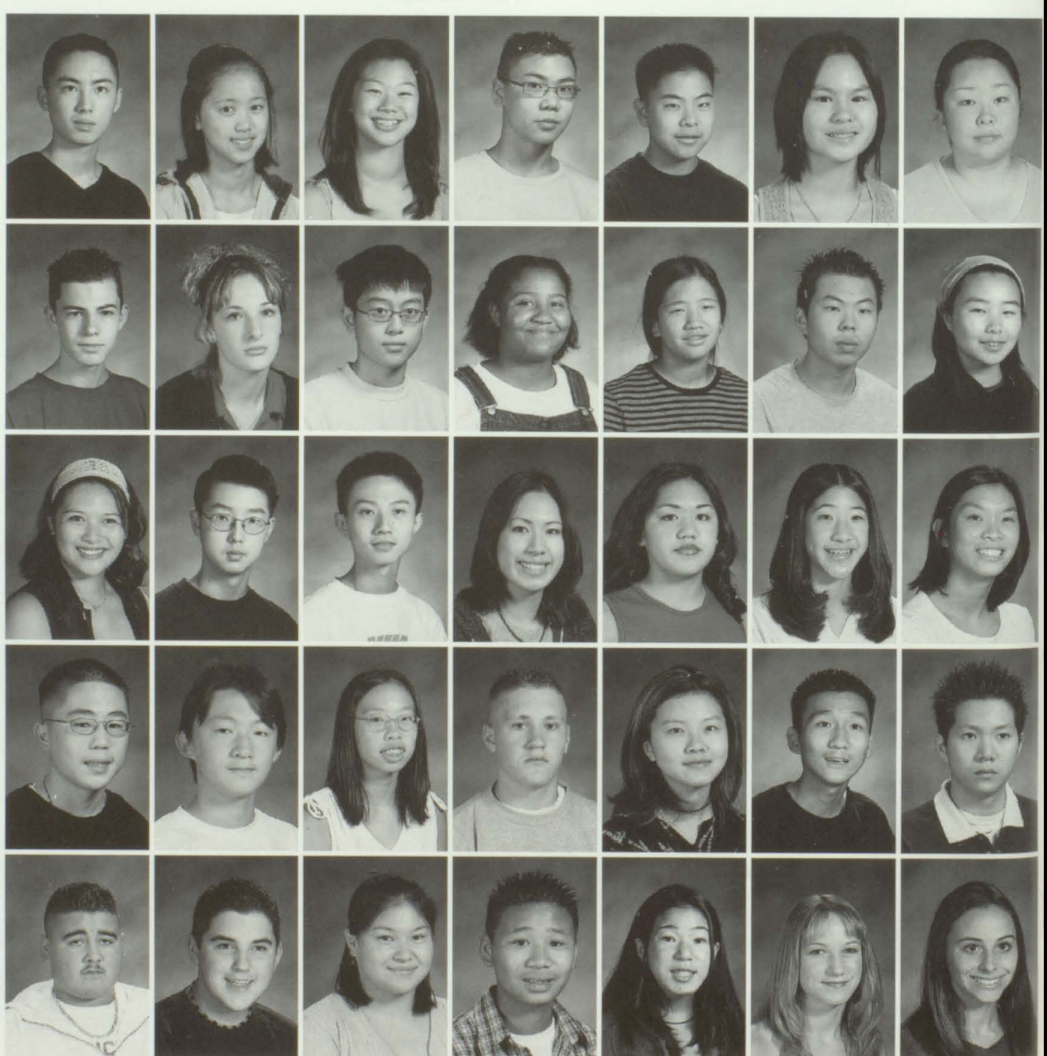
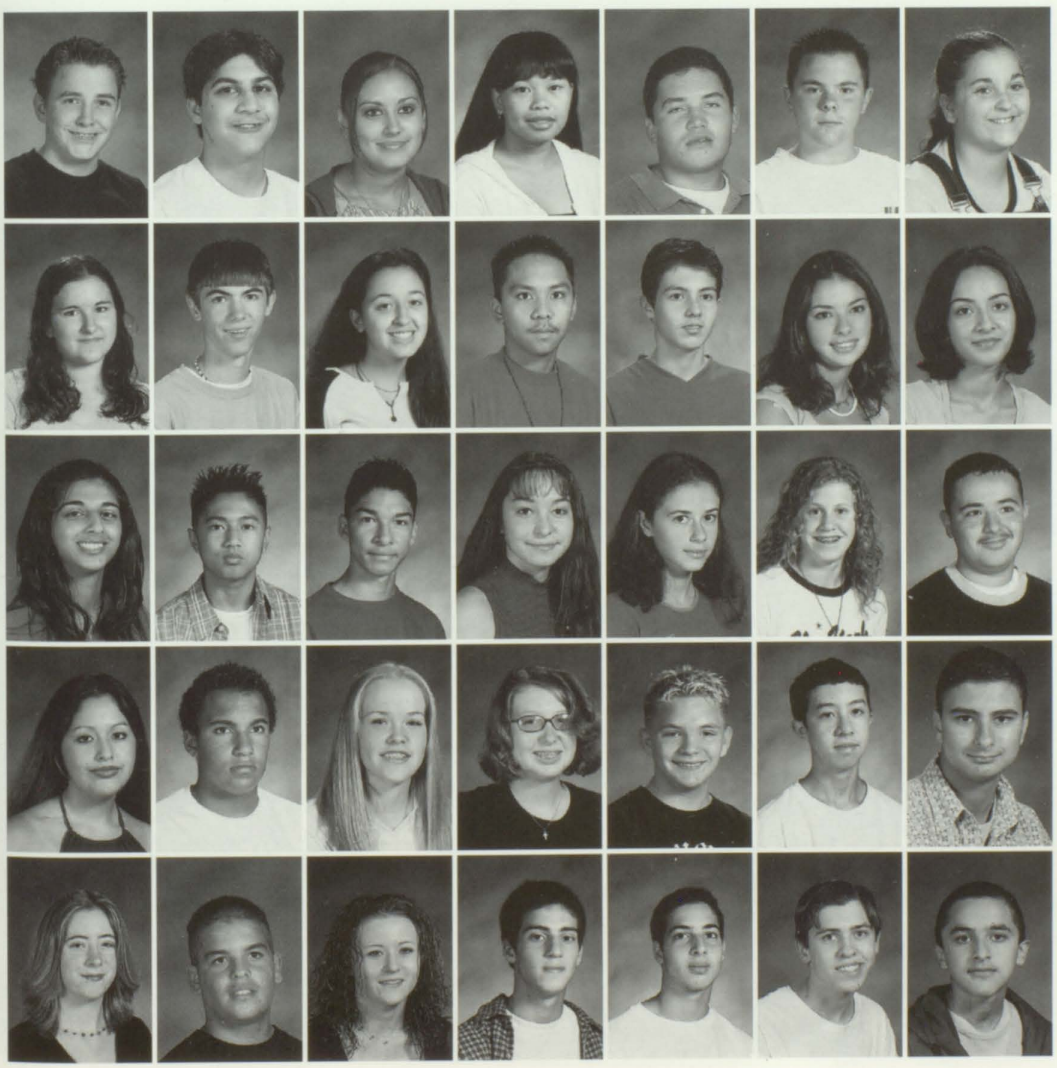


The 10th grade benchmark is the UN project, where your World History teacher assigns you a country. If you could choose our country, any country in the world, what would you choose?

"Czech Republic. I play soccer and that's a big soccer country, so I would do my UN on that."
–Jeffery Stephan

"San Marino. I asked Ms. Bowers–Ivey for a country that no one knows about and she said San Marino."
–Shreya Mehta

"Lithuania because I don't know much about it and I am a quarter Lithuai–nian. My grandfa–ther was full."
–Lynee Sanute



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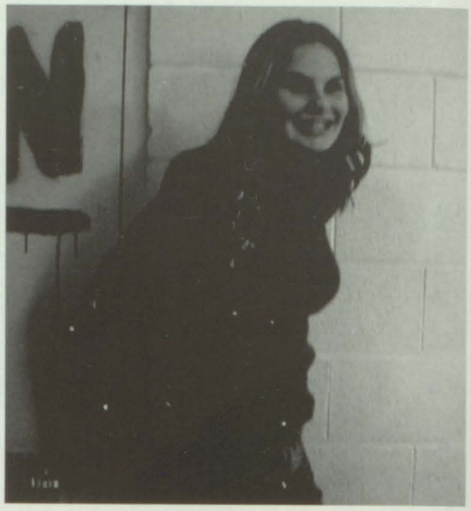
Sohail Mojaddidy

The Difference

By Aliyah Wong

School doesn't always have to consume your life, and Brittany Schroeder proves it. While she dutifully attends classes by day just like any other IHS student, by night (well, afternoon), she's a sports machine, doing everything from waterpolo to snowboarding. Let's see how she finds time to study while still excelling in sports.



Brittany Schroeder smiles as she walks into her resources class. This class is invaluable to her in that she can finish her homework early to leave room for her after school sports.

Brittany starts off her day with a quick breakfast, then dashes off to school, arriving just in time to chat with her friends before the bell rings at 7:25. Her first class is World History with Mr. Shadduck. One of her favorite academic classes, the fifty-three minutes of learning about the world pass by quickly. Next it's off to Ms. T's English class. This is another favorite and, again, it's over in a flash. After a quick trip to the cafeteria for a snack, she heads into the girls' locker room to change for her P.E. class with Mr. Sinnot. Not surprisingly, this is the best class of the day. "It's a great way to get things off my mind," she says.

After school during water polo season, Brittany goes to water-polo practice at the Ohlone College swimming pool. Here she is , treading water during one of her late night practices.

The last class before a long-awaited lunch is Environmental Science with Ms. Frechou. Because science doesn't hold her interest, the minutes tick by excruciatingly until finally the

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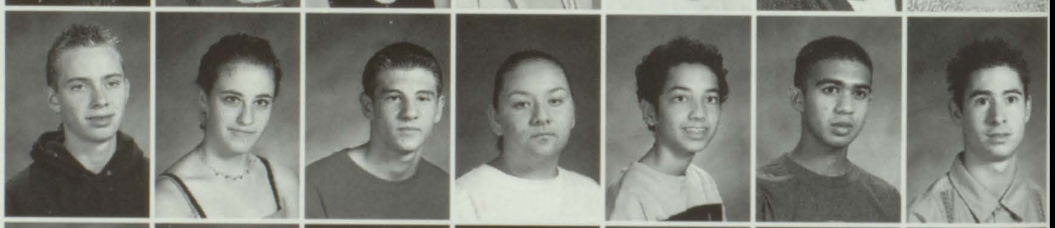

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Tabitha Newens
Nathan Ng
Jacquelyn Nguyen

Lydia Nguyen
Tiffany Nguyen
Vickie Nguyen
Elvis Njoku
Jennifer Nowell
Jesusramo Nunez
Donald Nurge

Pamela O' Neill
Clarence Obillo
Alexandra Obukhovskaya
Priscilla Ochoa
Katlin Oneal
An-chen Ouyang
Gessner Padua

Between Night and Day

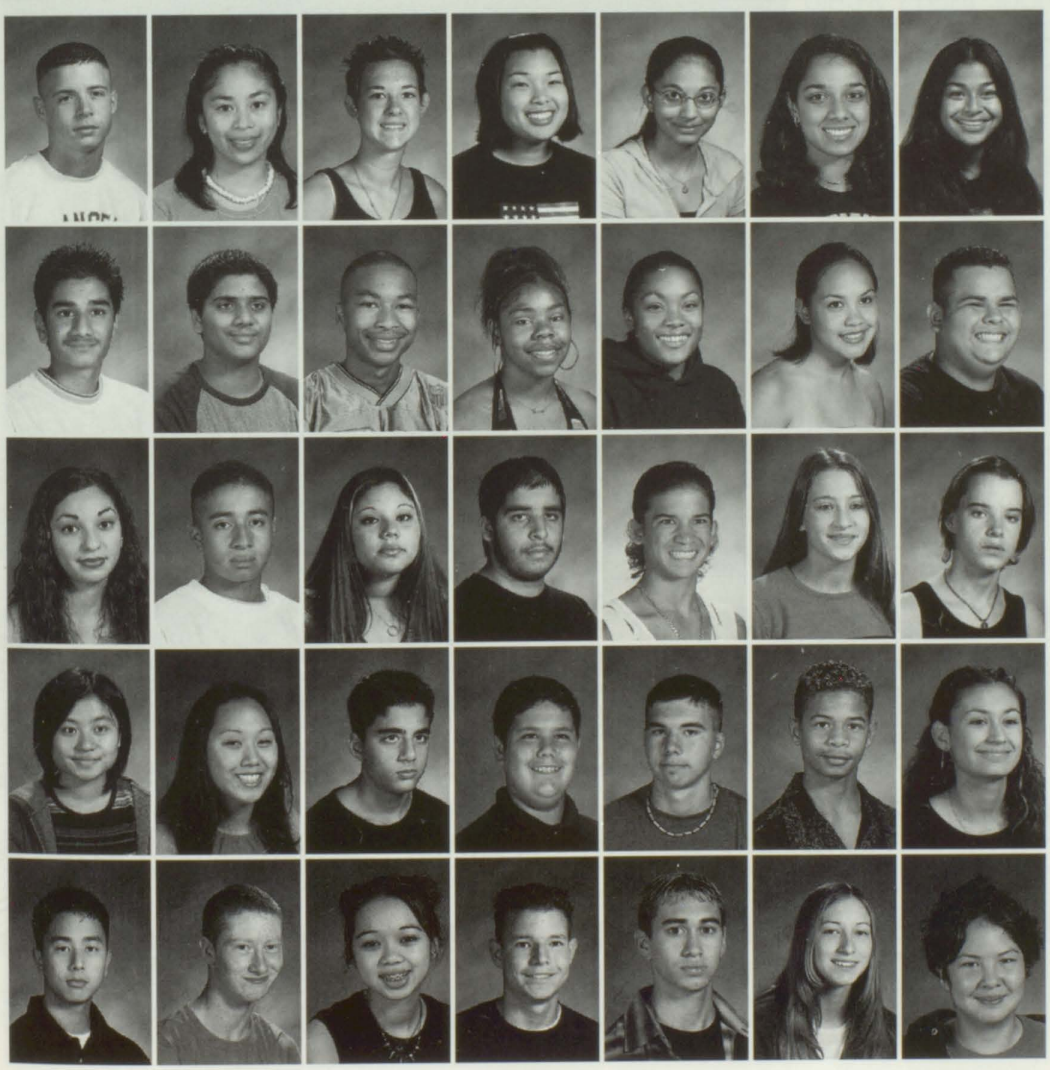
Here Brittany is with one of her teammates, Amanda Woodrum. The girls are gathering in for one last cheer before they go out to face the other team.

lunch bell rings. She takes this time to spend with her friends at Bronco Billy's or the gas station.

After a satisfying meal, she steps into Mr. Spooner's Geometry class, one of her most rigorous courses yet. Before she becomes too inundated with squares and triangles, the bell moves her on to her last class of the day, with resource specialist Ms. O'Leary. Here she gets to catch up on homework and get help on concepts in any subject that she doesn't understand.

When the bell rings for the last time, she packs her stuff and heads home, where she changes for her job teaching little kids at Happy Fish Swim School. Then she rushes over to waterpolo, basketball, or swimming, whatever sport the season calls for. Then it's back to home and homework. While Brittany's schedule is extremely crammed and mainly sports-centered, she doesn't completely forego academics. "I know school is important for my future, but I love sports, and the sports are here and now."

So there you have it. Brittany has showed us that being a sports fanatic doesn't always have to interfere with school work, and that both are important for both the future and the present.



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Erica Patterson
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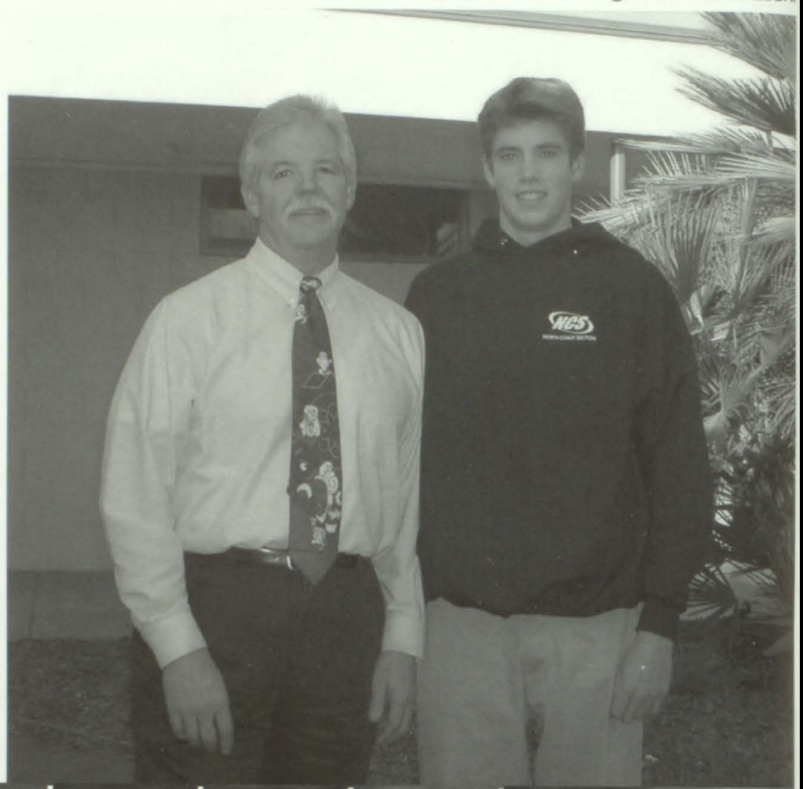
It's All in

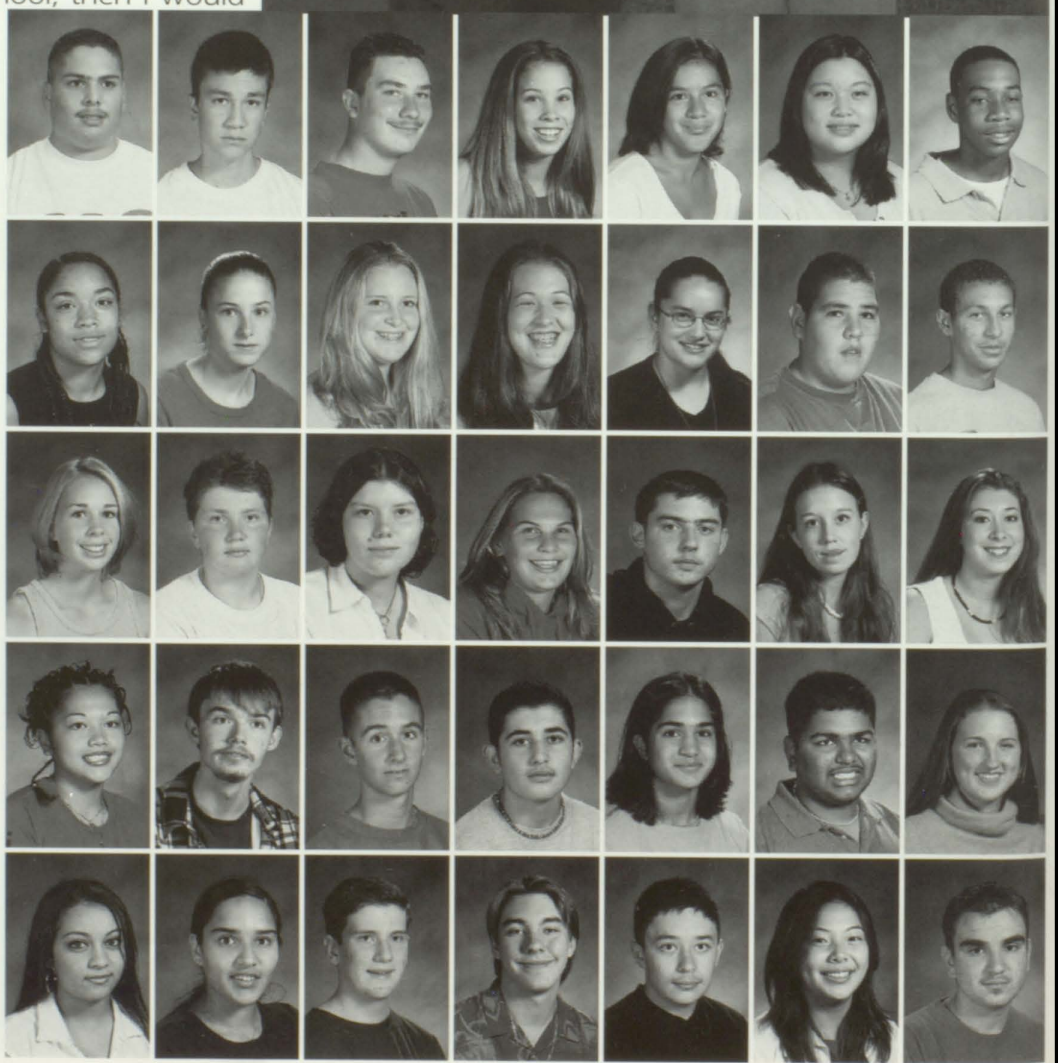


Right after school, Jason and Skip Caine pause for a picture before rushing off to football practice. With the guidance of coach, player and team went on to win six out of their nine games this season.

By Aliyah Wong

What would it be like to have your mom or your dad work at the same school you? How about if you could check up on your kid any time you wanted? Well in the sophomore class there are four such people who can answer these questions.

Skip and Jason Cain are not only father and son, but also coach and player. Mr. Cain is the head coach for our JV football team as well as the offensive line coach for both JV and Varsity. Jason is one of the most talented players on the JV team. As a matter of fact, Mr. Cain has been coaching Jason since he was little, both in Little League and football. As you can tell, the two are pretty close, and when Mr. Cain transferred here from Washington last year, Jason had no problem with it. The strategic movement to his son's school was inspired by both a love for teaching and for his kids. Says Mr. Cain, "If I'm going to put my time and energy into a school, then I would



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Caitlin Salinas
Moises Sandoval
Danny Santiago

Lynee Sanute
Yevgeniy Sapozhnikov
Heather Schaak
Brittany Schroeder
Jeff Schwer
Krista Scott
Katie Scrivani

Katherine Sese
Tommy Sewell
Jonathan Sexauer
Mostafa Shafaq
Kinar Shah
Khadar Shaik
Jaime Shannon

Fazilat Shariff
Gauri Sharma
Mark Sheldon
Jason Shepherd
Dmitry Shtadlin
Wei-ju Shu
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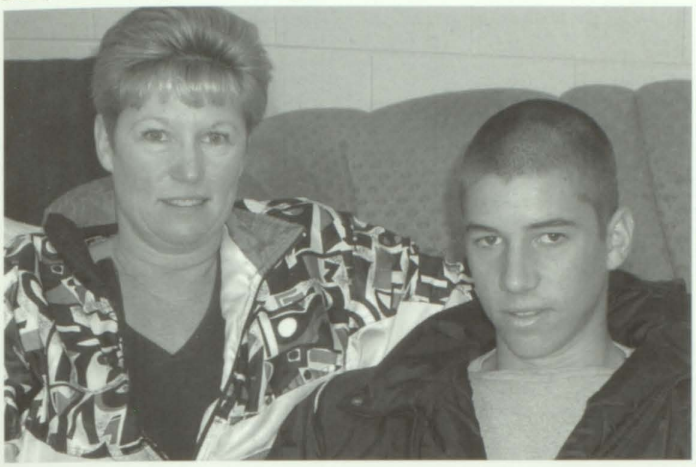
the Family

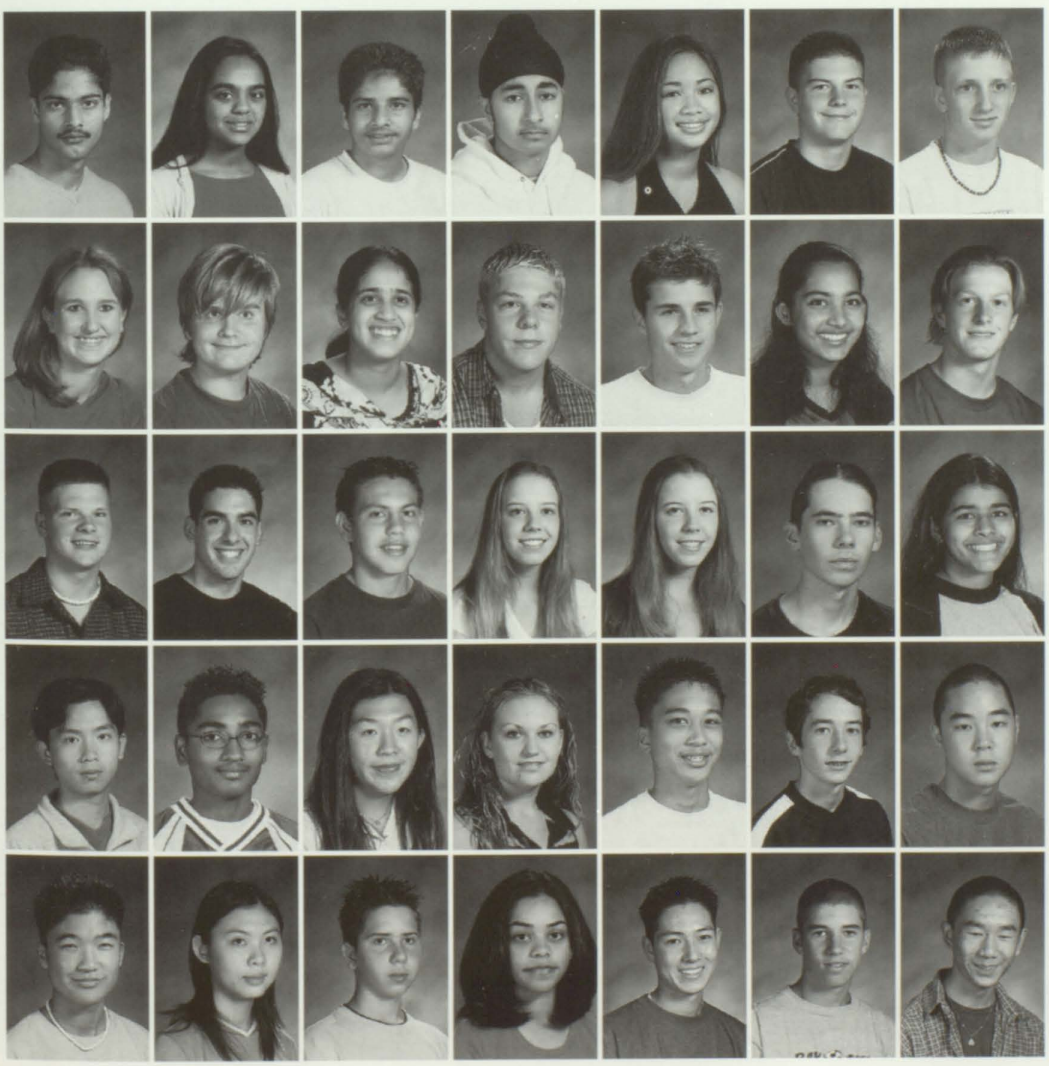
Taking a break from work and classes, Matt Teuscher and his mom Nancy McClaine pose for the camera during second period. Right after this, Mrs. McClaine heads to her younger son's school to help with lunch, while Matt goes to biology.



like my kids to benefit from it." Jason supports his father all the way: "I'm happy he's enjoying himself. And if enjoying oneself is the key to success, then I would say that my dad is successful."

Another student in a similar position is Matt Teuscher and his mom, Nancy McClaine. This is Mrs. McClaine's first year working on Irvington's cafeteria staff, serving breakfast to early birds in the morning and brunch to all the mid-morning snackers. After the brunch rush leaves, she rushes off to Millard Elementary where she has yet another son. With his mom in such a convenient position, we must ask, does Matt get free food? According to Matt, he still has to pay for his lunches, but when he comes in during morning break, he sometimes gets a cookie or a bagel free of charge. Between that advantage and the fact that his friends think it's cool, Matt says, "I'm glad she works here because if I need her in the morning, I can go to her for help or advice."

So is it positive to have one's parents work at the same school? The general consensus is yes. Not only do stronger relationships develop, but you might just get a free cookie, too!



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Ray Spicer
Tanu Srivastava
Sean Stader

Joel Starkey
Curtis Steckel
Jeffrey Stepan
Jillian Stoorza
Lisa Stoorza
Joseph Storer
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Yu-chiao Sun
Somnath Suresh
Margarett Sweezy
Lisa Szlendak
Anthony Tadina
Len Taguchi
Edwin Tai

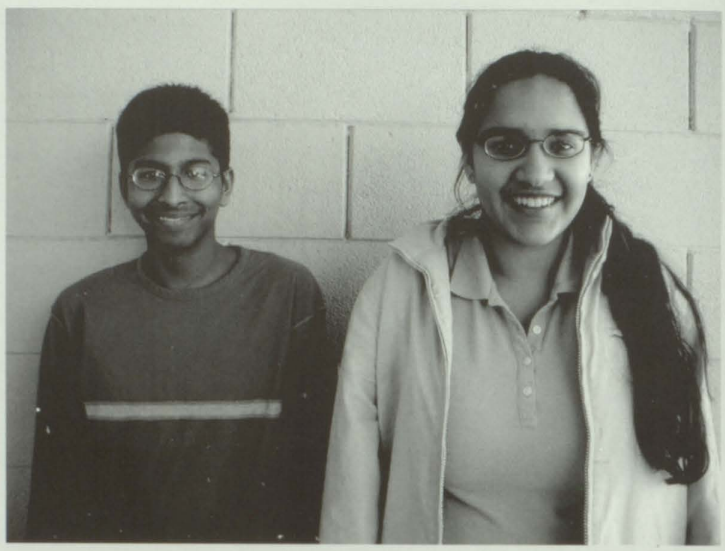
Curtis Takeda
Xiao-wen Tao
Steven Tapia
Anum Tariq
Nicholas Terry
Matthew Teuscher
Andrew Ton

The Words

By Aliyah Wong

Among one of the many talents that can be found in our class is the ability to express feelings and emotions with the strokes of a pen. Poetry has helped many in our school and elsewhere to deal with the shocking, devastating events that took place on September 11. By both writing of the celebration and the mourning of life, these two poets are the fountain of unspoken thoughts and feelings shared by many.

Gauri Sharma and Ashish Agarwal, our two poets, take time off from their classes to pose for the camera. They wrote their poems for class to express their feelings about September 11.



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Liwei Tsao
Jaime Valdez
Dont'e Van Hook

Jonathon Vandenburg
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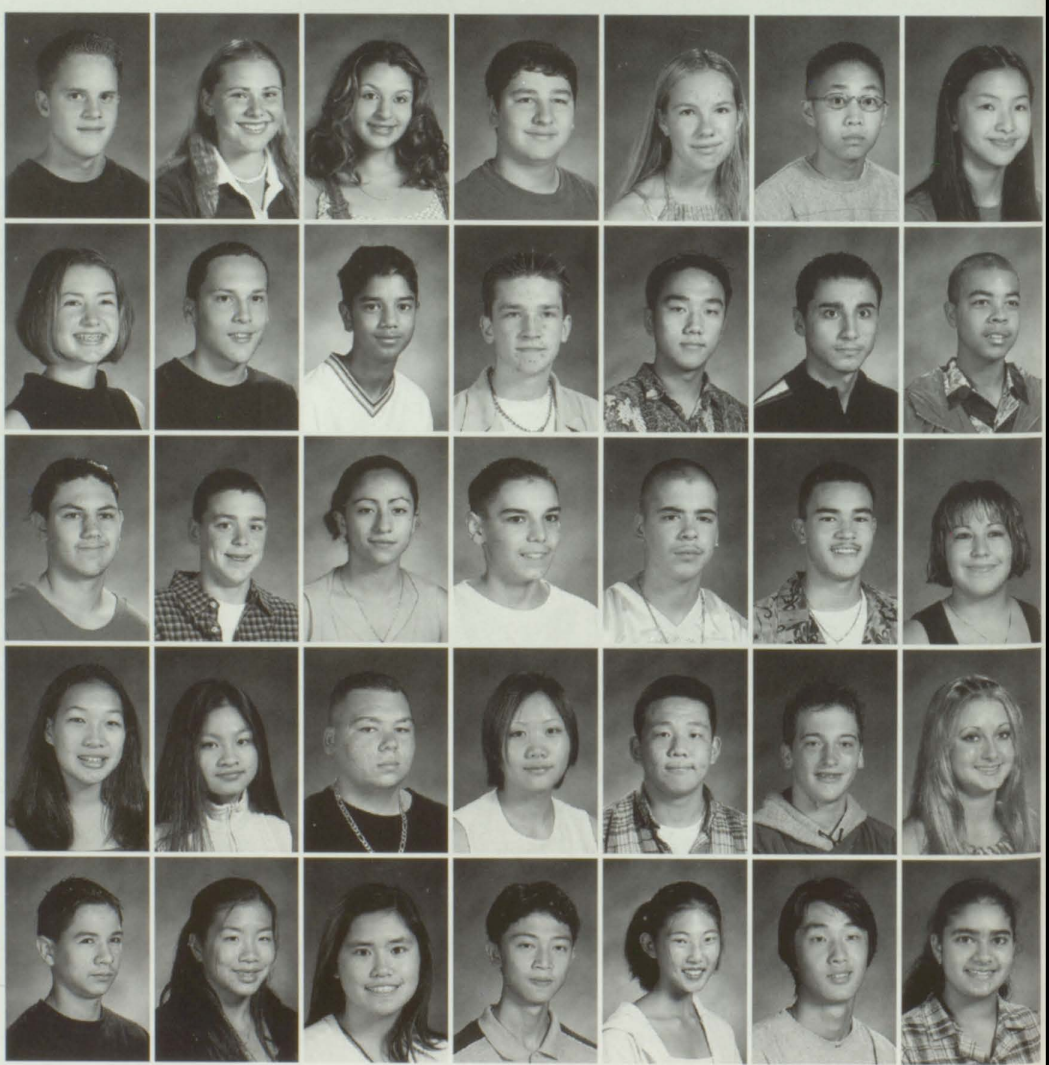

# of Life

ONE DAY CAN LAST A LIFETIME

BY ASHISH AGRAWAL (WRITTEN SEPTEMBER 12)

One day can last a lifetime.
I wake up and I see,
Destruction, Explosions, Death.
I wake up and feel,
Confusion, Disbelief.
I go to school and hear,
Anger, Revenge, War.
I do my homework and feel,
Distress, lack of concentration.
I go to sleep and see,
Destruction, Explosions, Death.
Not a thing has changed.

THE FOREST

BY GAURI SHARMA

A forest green and lush stood in peace with grace
though backed by its charm could not resist its fate
As flames charred its soul enveloping its face
Remainders of thin lines by love and hate
Who had painted tthe landscape dreary and gray
Who had made the streets lead only one way?
a spirit who's intention was not for good
time will rekindle fresh hope through the wood
When catastrophes strike keep your faith and hope
Eventually hapiness will be restored
though evil cannot be undone we will cope
No more tears, no more lives we can afford.

THE GLASS OF WATER

BY ASHISH AGRAWAL

Is the glass half-full or half-empty?
The glass itself is but an illusion
Representing uncertainty, locking you in.
And yet the water rests silently,
Unwavering in its prison.
The prison itself is but an illusion,
Living only in the mind of the prisoner.
Only when the water realizes that it can escape its prison
Will the water be worthy to fill the glass.
And all people should follow the example,
Realizing that potential is not limited by laws,
That determination and effort can overcome any prison
That taunts you so cruelly;
This is my philosophy of life.

Priyanka Yadvendu
Lydia Yang
Eugene Yaroslavtsev
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Victor Yoon
Eric Yoshimura

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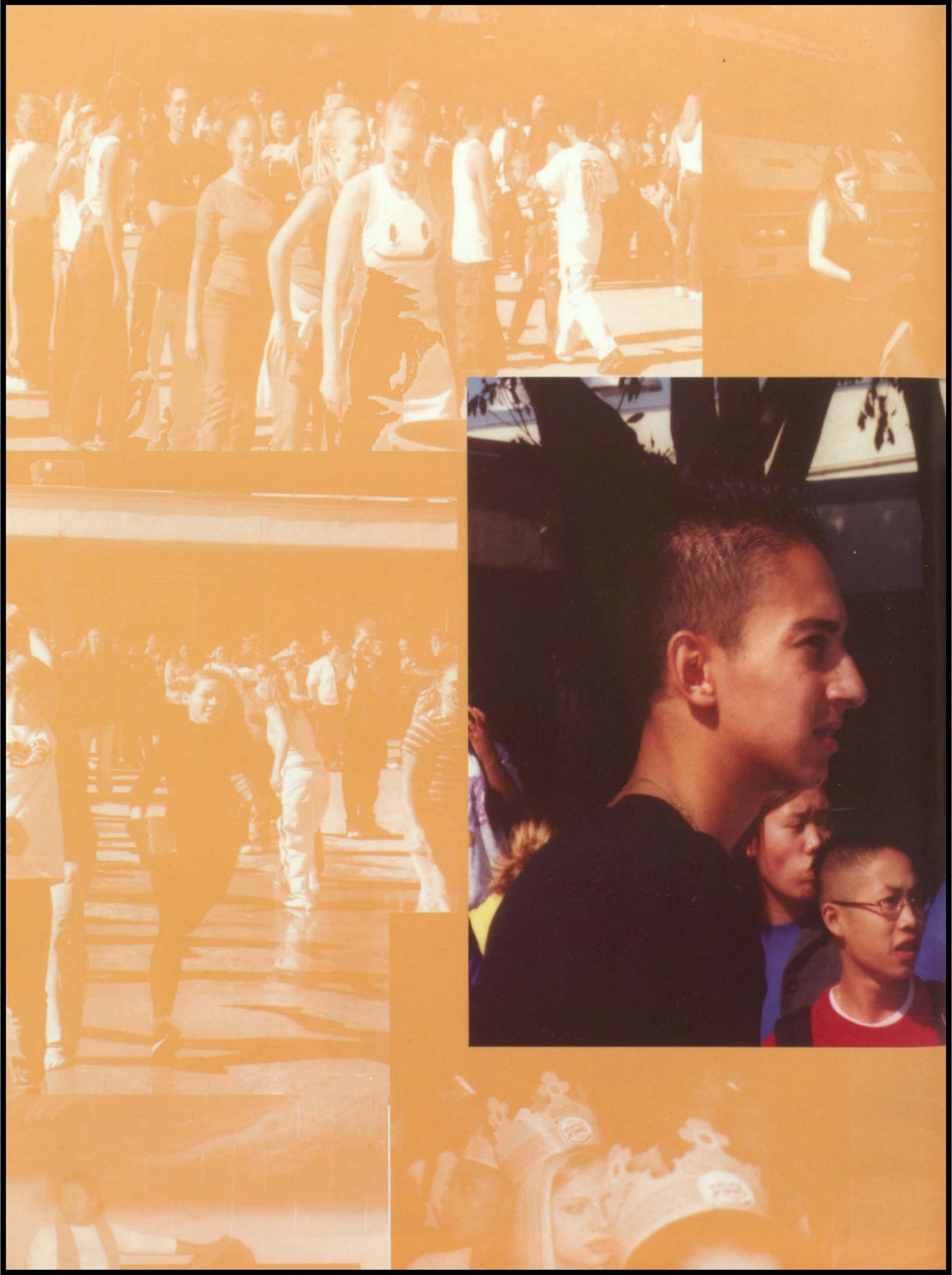
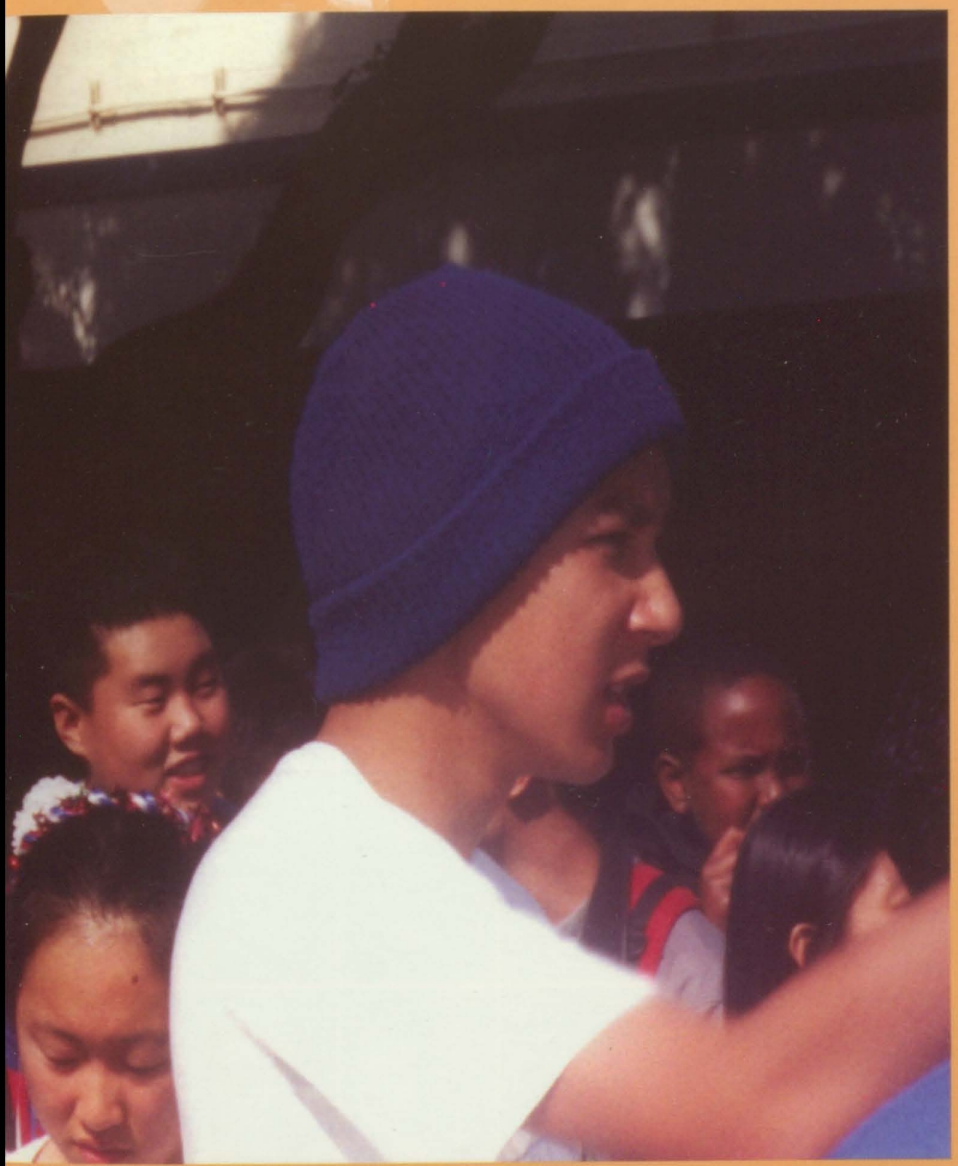


Junior Year: Stress, Fun, and Memories

By Joshia Chang and Rachel Hillman

Junior Year... It is always the most anticipated, the most dreaded, the most exciting year. Filled with the infamous acronyms (SATs, ACTs, GPAs, and APs), junior year is an academic struggle. But, besides the hours of homework, it is also filled with more fun than any other. Finally, we are upperclassmen. Finally, we can go to the prom together, beat out the Sophomores and Freshmen in Spirit Week (okay guys, maybe next year...) and, finally, we are almost done with high school. The college search has started, the scholarship programs have begun to fill up our mailboxes, and grades are more important than ever. The number of difficult classes has sky–rocketed, as have the number of electives in our schedule. Our reponsibilities, regarding both schoolwork and after–school jobs, have increased tremendously over the year. As a whole, our class has matured over the years at IHS, and it has become obvious this year. The Class of 2003, has stayed strong throughout the most difficult time of our high school experience.



Tomorrow's Leaders

Enjoying a break from the job, Melissa and Enny show how working together is worthwhile. Sharing an inside joke between officers, they are able to get over te stress of Spirit Week and prom planning by being together.

Enny Van, Junior Class President, was also on ASB last year. "It's very rewarding to give back to my school," she says.

Melissa Mendez, Junior Class Vice President, is enjoying her first year on ASB. "It's challenging, but I love it" she says.

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Isra Abid
Balint Adorjan
Reka Adorjan
Leviticus Agnes
Angelina Aguilar
Brenda Alvarez
Mike Amsler
Robert Apgar
David Aquino
Christopher Arnaz
Daniel Arno
Sarah Aronson
Lauren Ashley
Usman Aslam
Tim Man Au
Nicole Balbiani
Leslie Ballard
Chelsea Barto
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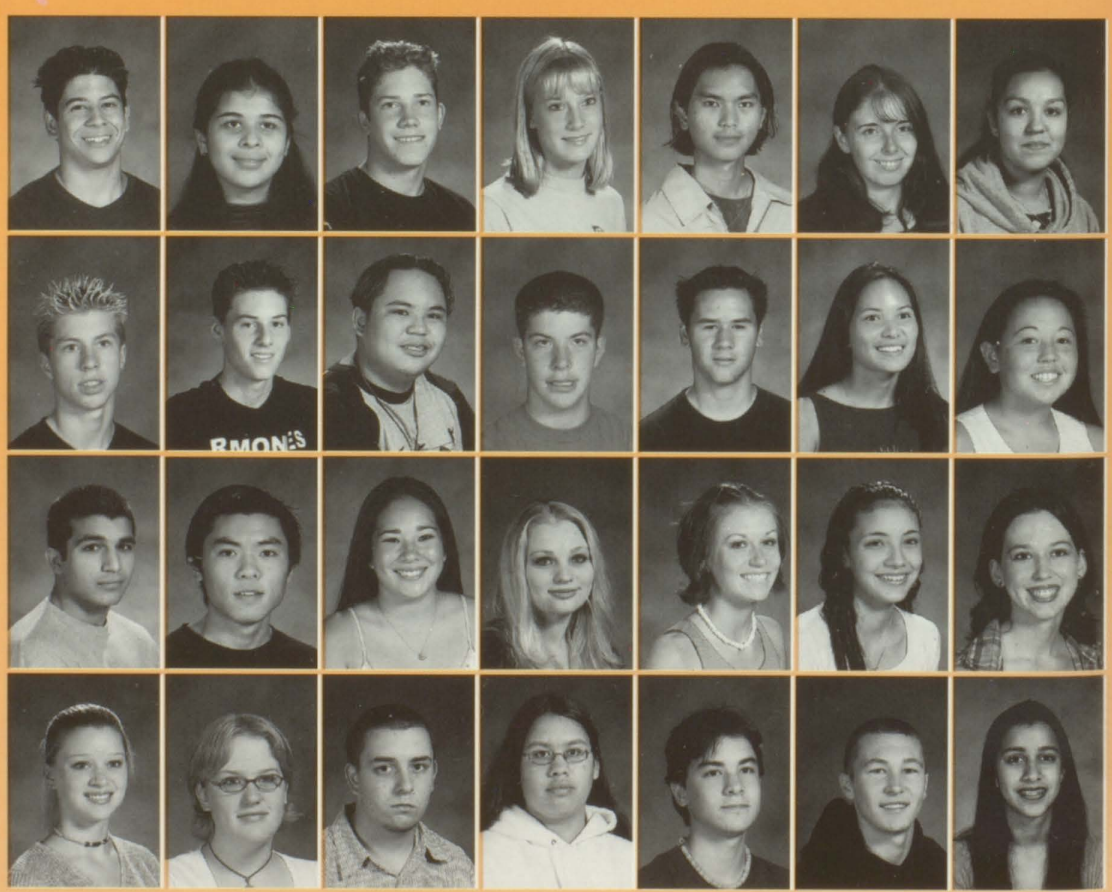


By Rachel Hillman and Joshia Chang

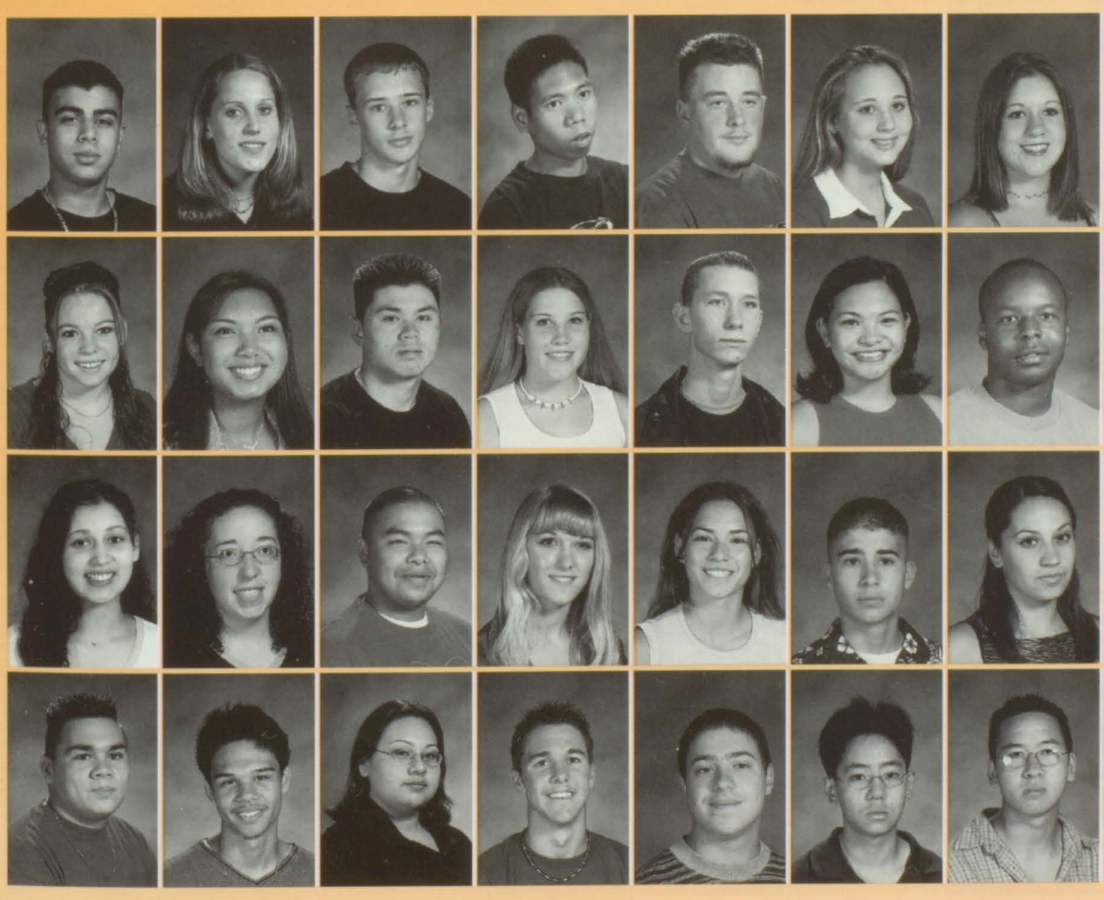
A lot of people don't pay attention to what is going on behind the scenes at school, yet expect to have another great high school year filled with fun activities and dances. Only a few take the initiative to make a difference at school. For the Juniors, Enny Van and Melissa Mendez are two of the most committed and school-spirited of the bunch. With a lot of extra time and energy, Enny and Melissa, the junior class President and Vice President, fulfill what they and the rest of the junior class want: a wonderful school year, full of amazing memories.

Many people wonder what would possess someone to take so much time from their life to work on student council. Melissa was used to being in the background of everything going on at school. "I wanted to lead and be a part of it more," she notes. Enny, who has been involved in student government for many years, says, "I love Irvington. I love giving back to it, having spirit, and representing my class." Picking a council is not always easy, as these dedicated juniors can assess. Melissa, although she likes everyone in the council, feels that it is hard to meet because everyone is very busy. Enny, the president, finds council meetings really tough and stressful, but they improved as the year went on. By working with each other, Enny and Melissa have become even better friends, even if they do get on each other's nerves sometimes.

The overall product is what really makes the girls feel that their work is worthwhile. "I love organizing everything and planning it, but it does take up a lot of time," Melissa says. "It's definitely hard to make time to do everything," Enny admits. "But it is definitely worth it, every minute."

It is very hard for people who are not on junior class council to even conceive the amount of time and energy it takes to be a class officer. Melissa, a Varsity cheerleader, has learned a lot about time management during the year. "During Spirit Week, I had to balance homework, cheer leading practice, and bench building!" Her advice to the student who feels like there is just no time to do anything? "Write it down in your planner, it helps!" Enny prioritizes her assignments and presidential duties before the week begins, which helps her stay organized.

Not everyone can be on class council. Melissa's qualifications? "You need to know how to take action and be a leader, and you can't get frustrated easily." Enny says, "You need to be a good people person, be able to compromise, and be a good listener. You must be patient and be open to new ideas. And don't forget the Spirit Week stress!" Although both girls seemed very busy, especially during Sprit Week, both agree that being a class officer is worth it. The skills that they obtained throughout the year will last them a lifetime.



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Julie Burch
Joseph Burdick
Analynn Burgos
Anthony Burnett
Shamama Burney
Mary Bush
Federick Bustos
Shayna Butler
Marissa Calderon
Timothy Caraballo
Cassandra Cardenas
Jared Cariaga
Marc Carig
Virginia Castaneda
Joshua Cavaness
Justin Chaikin
Jason Chan
Leo Chan

Jack Frost Juniors

Pretending to be the evil Grinch who stole the homecoming football, Bryan Hamann got beaten up for trying to ruin the homecoming game during the Spirit Week skit. The Juniors were the first class to perform their skit and dance.

Througout Spirit Week, many Juniors participated in the games at lunchtime. Candice Schrodetzki has lots of fun while trying to win the water bucket game for the class of 2003. Despite good class participation, the Juniors did not win any games this year.

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Joshia Chang
Luis Chavez
Ernest Cheatham–Davis
Stephanie Chen
Pavan Chopra
Samuel Cisneros
Mary Clark
Rachel Clausen
Kimberly Colliss
Nicole Cook
Shanna Cooper
Casey Covey
Juan Crawford
Shaune Crawford
Justin Crowe
Kimberly Cruz
Carri Cyr
Reinel Daodoy
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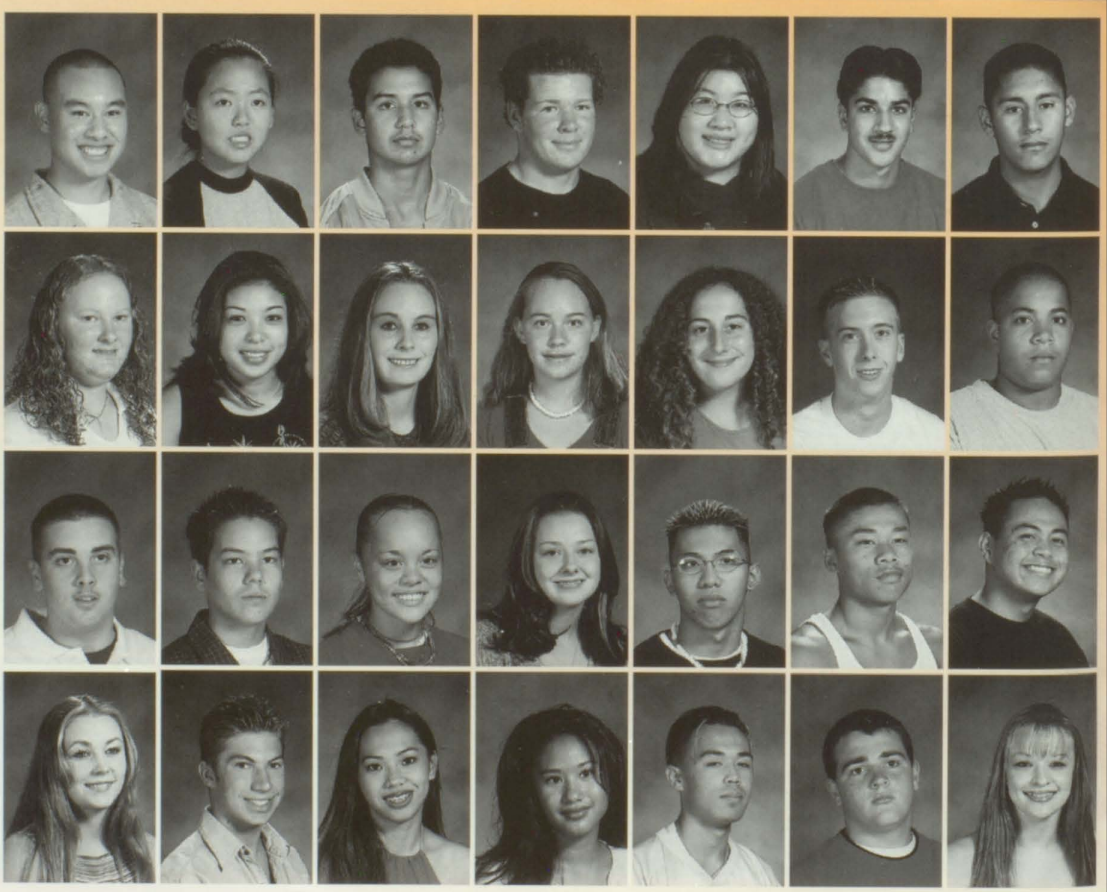


By Rachel Hillman and Joshia Chang

This year, the class of 2003 got a taste of winter during Spirit Week. The Jack Frost Juniors felt that, although they did not win any events, Spirit Week was full of fun, entertainment, and a whole lot of silliness.

The first day of Spirit Week was the Juniors' day to show the school how spirited the class of '03 could be. The skit, "How the Grinch Stole The Football", was performed by many people, including Marissa Calderon, Alyssa Nimendez, and Nicole Balbiani. A combination of "'Twas the Night Before Christmas" and "The Grinch", the skit was very cute and a lot of fun. Although not many people consistantly showed up to practice, between five and ten, the end product was very successful. The entire school was excited during the entire performance, and the Juniors definitely made the other classes feel inferior when the skit was over. It seemed that nothing could be better that the juniors' skit.

There were many fun games during Spirit Week this year. There was the water brigade, where you dump a bucket of water on your head; a game where a pie would be shoved in someone's face; tug of war between classes; and chubby bunny, a game to stuff marshmallows into your mouth. While the junior class lost for all of these games, those who participated had the time of their life. In fact, if there had to be a lesson learned from Spirit Week this year, or at least the Junior Class's experience in Spirit Week this year, it would have to be that, even if you don't win, half the fun in the process of trying.

Running for the first place medal, Brittany Lovejoy races to the finish line in order to pass the bucket on. The Juniors managed to come out with third place for this game.

Ricardo Demoraes
Brian Denk
Sundeep Dhillon
Cassandra Dillenbeck
Roshni Divate
Thong Do
George Drake
Bo Du
Katie Dudgeon
Ivan Dundic
Bryan Duong
Rachel Duran
Ali Elbeik
Dina Elkady
Ksenia Evdokimova
April Fame
Emily Fan
Daniel Farmer
Sarah Fernandez
Theresa Ferreira
Jarrod Fiance
Natasha Fitzgerald
Rodell Flores
Nicole Fogg
Rachelle Foronda
Alani Foxall
David Fredrickson
Jarrod Fullerton

While showing off the Juniors' beautiful bench, Chelsea Whitfield adds on paper chains. The Juniors. despite losing most catagories, were very spirited this year.

The actual building of the bench takes lots of hard work and dedication. Arina Ivanova and Ryan Wong worked hard afterschool to get the junior bench in order.

Painting the junior bench, Curtis Jenson was one of the few juniors who showed up continually for benchbuilding. While the bench did not win, everyone was proud of it.

Elise Galdin
Adrian Garcia
Anika Godhwani
Mayra Godoy
Desiree Gomes
Celestina Gonzales
Christopher Gonzales
Ashley Gonzalez
Dolores Gonzalez
Uriel Gonzalez
Bryan Gordon
Stacie Groll
Sandy Gutierrez
Timothy Hagman
Harold Hague IV
Deeba Haider
Jason Hall
Bryan Hamann
Cortney Hamic
Matthew Hanson
James Harris
Brandon Harrison
Heather Harrison
Ajmal Hashmi
Chuan He
Rudy Herrera
Corrin Hess
Victoria Hill

Rebuilding the Towers

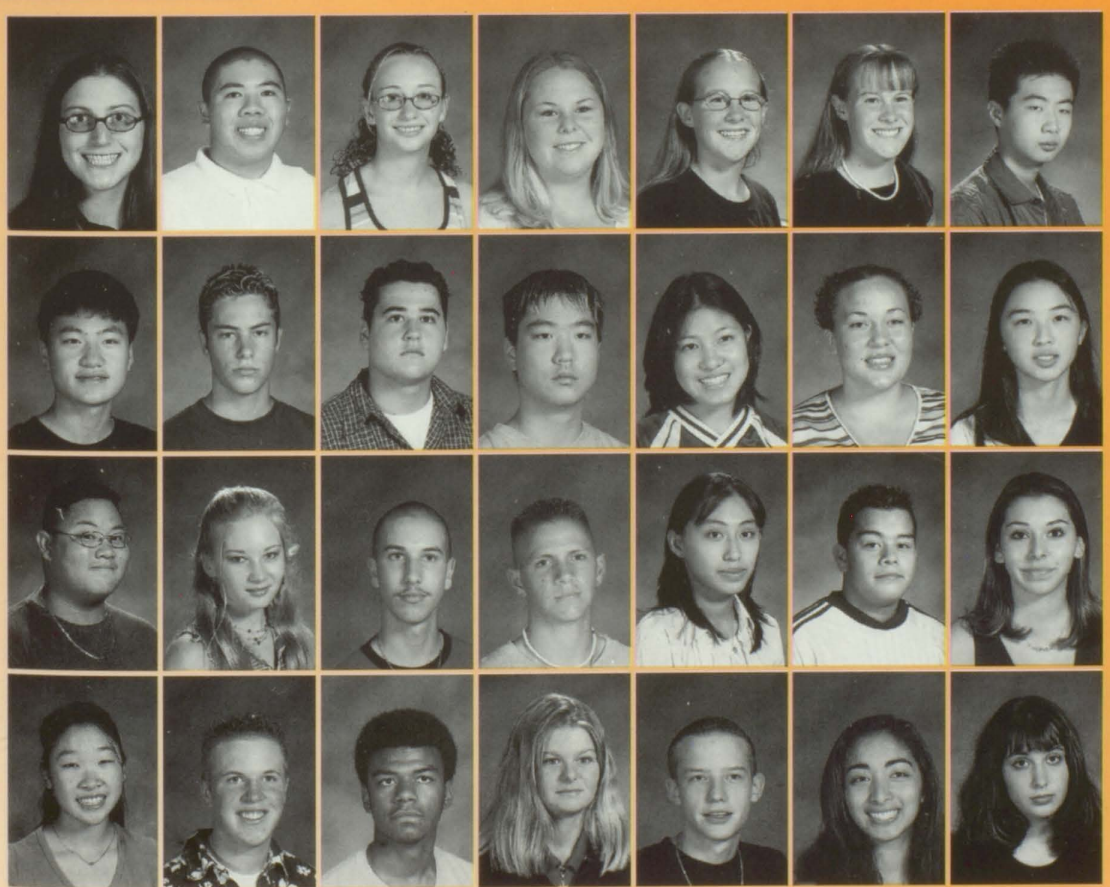
By Rachel Hillman and Joshia Chang

Joanne Kabariti had a difficult job of trying to lure spirited juniors to her home in Warm Springs and help out with benchbuilding. Although the distance seemed a challenged for the junior class, those who did decide to spend the gas money and time to get to Warm Springs found it worthwhile. Not only did the juniors end up having an amazing bench, but benchbuilding was a time to get to know your classmates more intimately.

The Jack Frost Juniors had to get winter items for the bench. Susanna Tuan and Rachelle Foronda, two of the committed members of the junior class, went to the Warm Springs Long's and picked up the donated wrapping paper and cling wrap. The wrapping paper was used to wrap donated FedEx boxes, which were set up as presents for the holiday season that winter represents. Century Theaters provided the popcorn that was used as snow when the juniors' day came.

The theme of the bench was Christmas in New York. The decision for the bench was made prior to September 11th and the collapse of the World Trade Center, and the eerie coincidence of New York being part of the bench kept the juniors' hopes up. "It was hard to start," notes Junior Class Vice President Melissa Mendez. Despite a rough beginning, the juniors came through and finished the bench by judging time.

As all good projects are, the junior benchbuilding for the 2001–2002 school year was not easy. The dedicated juniors who participated in its creation felt that their work was well–received, as well as well–done. The juniors proved to the school that with hard work, and by using the school wide outcomes, anything can happen.



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Rosanna Huang
Carrie Huber
Kim Hung
Mychal Huynh
Arina Ivanova
Benjamin Jeffers
Curtis Jensen
Wen–hsin Jiang
Frank Jimenez
Jessica Jimenez
Sandra Jo
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Joshua Jones
Joanne Kabariti
Lindsay Kane

Plans for the Prom

"Proms are for losers, and I am a winner."
—John Pfenning

"I wish the prom would be on a boat or on the beach."
—Elena Taube

"Going to Junior Prom doesn't matter on where it is, but with who you go with. I think it is better to go with someone fun and worth it."
—Will Miranda

"I can't wait to get ready for the prom, because that can be even more fun that the dance."
—Krystal Nzoiwu

"I can't dance."
—Andy DeGregorio

Niraj Kapadia
Naveen Kassamali
Monica Katen
Matthew Kentgen
Alisa Kerawala
Nazia Khan
Jin Kim
Kenneth Kim
Paul Kim
Alexis Kirschenbaum
Oscar Ko
Lizebeth Koloko-Green
Jenny Krauhs
Jessica Kruse
Ami Kundaria
Denis Kutondo
Cora Lagomarsino
Steven Lai
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Jamie Lajoie
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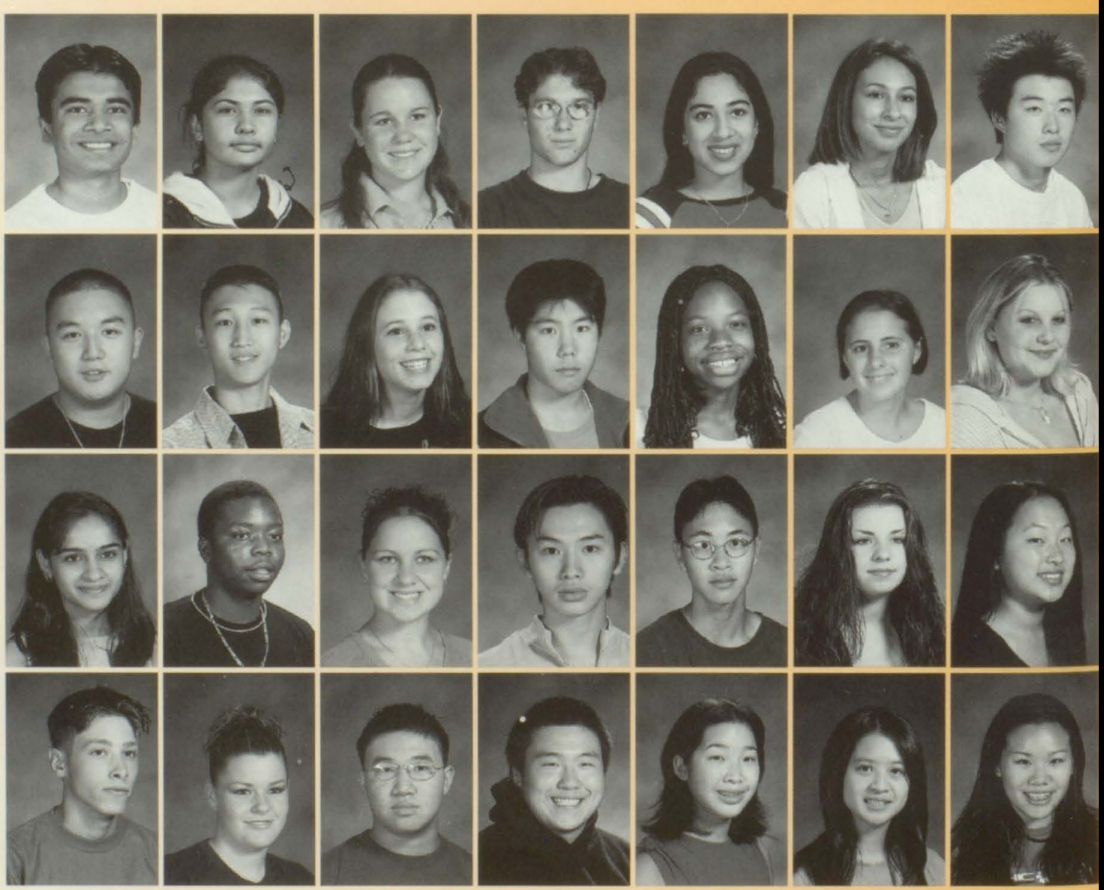
David Laney
Melissa Lankford
Irwin Lau
Nathan Lau
Linda Le
Stephanie Lee
Valerie Lee



By Rachel Hillman and Joshia Chang

The Junior Prom is one of the most exciting times for a high school student. For the girls, it is all about finding the perfect dress, the perfect shoes, the perfect hairstyle, and the perfect date. For the boys, the perfect tux and the perfect mode of transportation are what is important. By combining all of these aspects of the Junior Prom together, we created the ideal survey for the ideal evening. Here are the results:

For outfits, 64% of the boys interviewed said that they would wear a Classic Black Tux to the prom, 21% would wear a zoot suit, and 14% said that they would go in "something else"... For the girls in the junior class, 48% said that they were going to wear a sleeveless dress, 20% would wear a strapless dress, with another 20% wanting to wear a backless dress. Finally, 12% said that they would wear some other kind of dress.

Getting to the prom is half the fun. A limo ride is the way to go, says 62% of the junior class. Taking a cheaper route, 11% of the junior class said that they would use either their own car or their parent's car. Taking a taxi is not a popular way to go, since only 2% of the junior class said that would be their way to get to the prom. By using some other mode of transportation, 25% of the junior class will get to the prom... eventually.

The prom is supposed to be a fun time where the junior class can have fun with all of their friends, and many go as dates or in groups. Fourty-four percentsaid that they would go with a boyfriend or girlfriend, while fourteen percent said that going as a group was their idea of fun. Two percent of the class said that they would go stag, and forty percent of those interviewed felt that going with friends would be the thing to do.

Anthony Lenci
Alex Leung
Wilson Lieu
Brian Loeswick
Sandra Longoria
Jerry Lopez
Brittany Lovejoy
Sofia Luna
Christopher Lundeen
Yun Lian Luo
Hoa Ly
Sean Mac Donald
Porschi Mack
Julio Magana
Lisedt Magana
Tina Mai
Ravi Makadia
Miguel Manansala
Ashley Manning
Charles Marotta
James Marrero-Johnson
Michael Martin
Catalina Martinez
Daniel Martinez
David Martinez
Michael Mclaughlin
May Mei
Ruth Mejia

Just A Girl

by Rachel Hillman and Joshia Chang

There are many Juniors who are just so fun and so interesting that they make the rest of us feel boring and lazy. Jessica Kruse is one of these exciting Juniors. With her bleached hair and wide, white smile, it is difficult not to smile back when you see her in the halls. Jessica is a great example to everyone on how to make life into a positive adventure. Never afraid of a challenge, Jessica Kruse is someone we should all emulate.

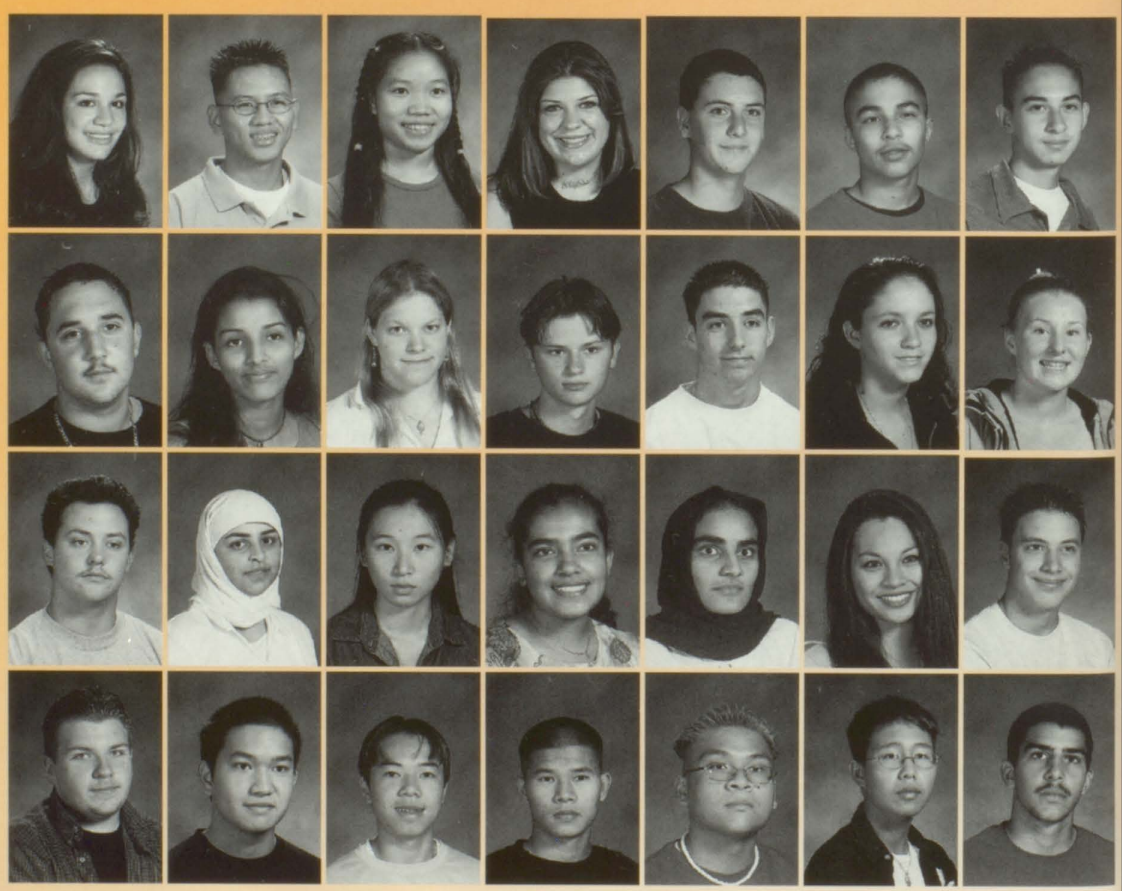
Jessica Kruse does not let challenges stand in the way of her achieving excellence. Being in two AP classes, and even some classes designed for seniors, such as Precalculus, Jessica shows that she does not let difficult classes put her behind in life. In addition to taking some of the most difficult classes at this school, Jessica also keeps her resume up with a job at Anchor Blue at the New Park Mall. Her favorite part about her job? "I get a 30% discount on anything at the store, and once a month I can get 50% off an entire outfit!"

On top of it all, the funny Junior plans on volunteering at Science Camp this year. A hope of any sixth grader, Jessica is taking her memories of the counselors at science camp when she was at Warm Springs and making them into her own experience. "I'm looking forward not only to the service hours, but to be helping out my old grade school, Warm Springs," Jessica says. But most importantly, Jessica is bringing a bunch of candy to share with her campers. "You're not supposed to bring outside food, but my counselors had a bunch of candy.

Jessica, an avid fan of the musical group No Doubt, is happy to show off her out-of-print edition of Tragic Kingdom on VHS. Jessica saw No Doubt in concert a few years ago with her older sister.

Hanging out after school one day, Jessica and her best friends, twins Joelene and Vanessa Sandoval, exchange a few laughs over a Tabasco bottle Jessica brought back from her Winter Vacation break. Doing bizarre things with her best friends is one of Jessica's favorite things to do.

Melissa Mendez
Christopher Mendoza
Elysia Messah
Katie Miller
Joseph Miozza
Luis Miranda
William Miranda
Adam Moghadam
Nandini Mohan
April Moore
Stephen Moore
Ryan Morales
Jessica Moreland
Erin Morgan
Russell Morton
Fatima Mubashir
Cherry Mun
Tabassum Nagpurwala
Musarrat Naseem
Valerie Navarro
David Necoechea
Edward Neunzig
Tattaworn Ngernwattana
Nhan Nguyen
Quoc Nguyen
Stephen Nguyen
Steven Nguyen
Daniel Nieves



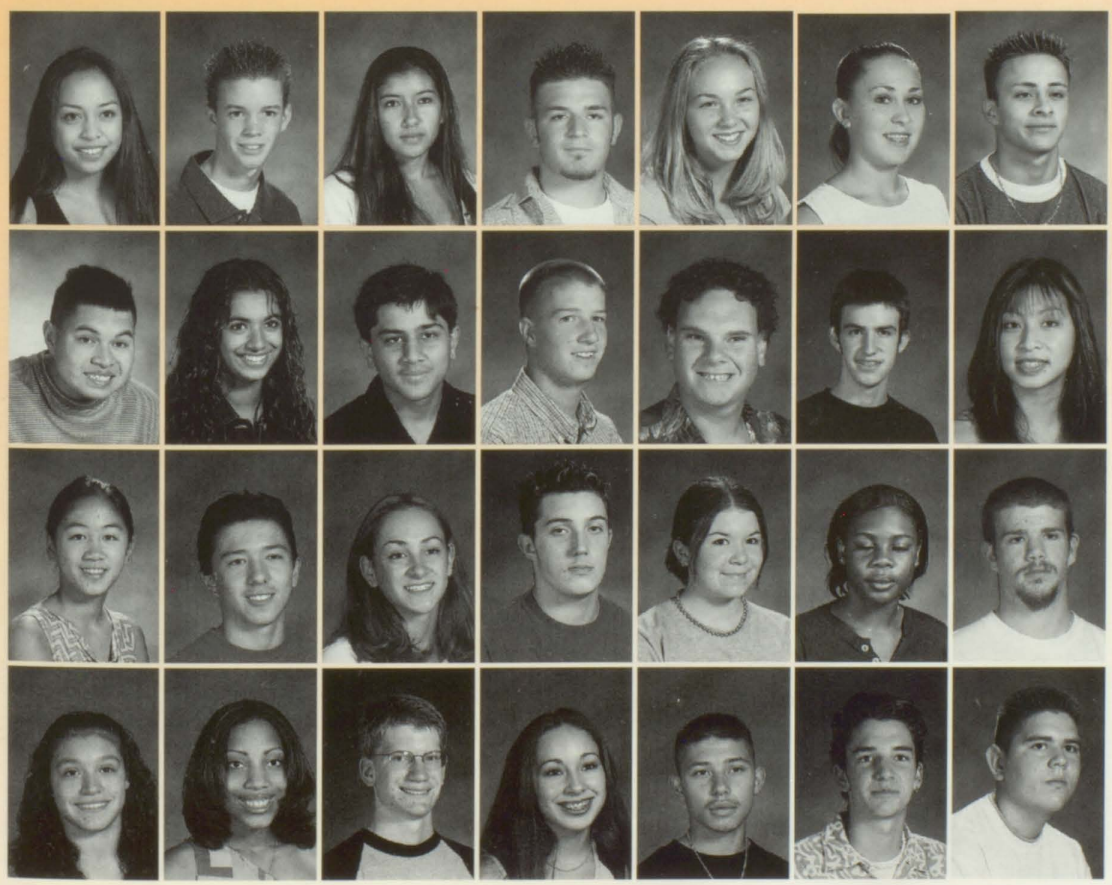
That is my favorite memory of science camp, and I want to have sixth graders have the same fond memories of science camp as I did."

Jessica is all about fun, fun, and more fun. Her favorite things to do are play with her dog and best friend, Zoe, and hang out with her best human friends, twins Jolene and Vanessa Sandoval. An avid fan of the show "Roswell", Jessica plans on taking a road trip to Roswell, New Mexico with her friends during the Spring Break of senior year, to "tan on top of a car in the middl of the desert, steal road signs, cover our bodies with glow–in–the–dark paint, and then run around in the middle of the night!" This idea, whether it ends up happening or not, is the epitome of Jessica: always ready for fun and craziness.

One of the most important aspects to Jessica's life is her love for music. Gwen Stefani, the lead singer of No Doubt, is Jessica's idol. She was privelaged enough to see No Doubt in concert two years ago. At the concert, Gwen gave Jessica one of her rings. The star ring that she got on that day is still treasured by her.

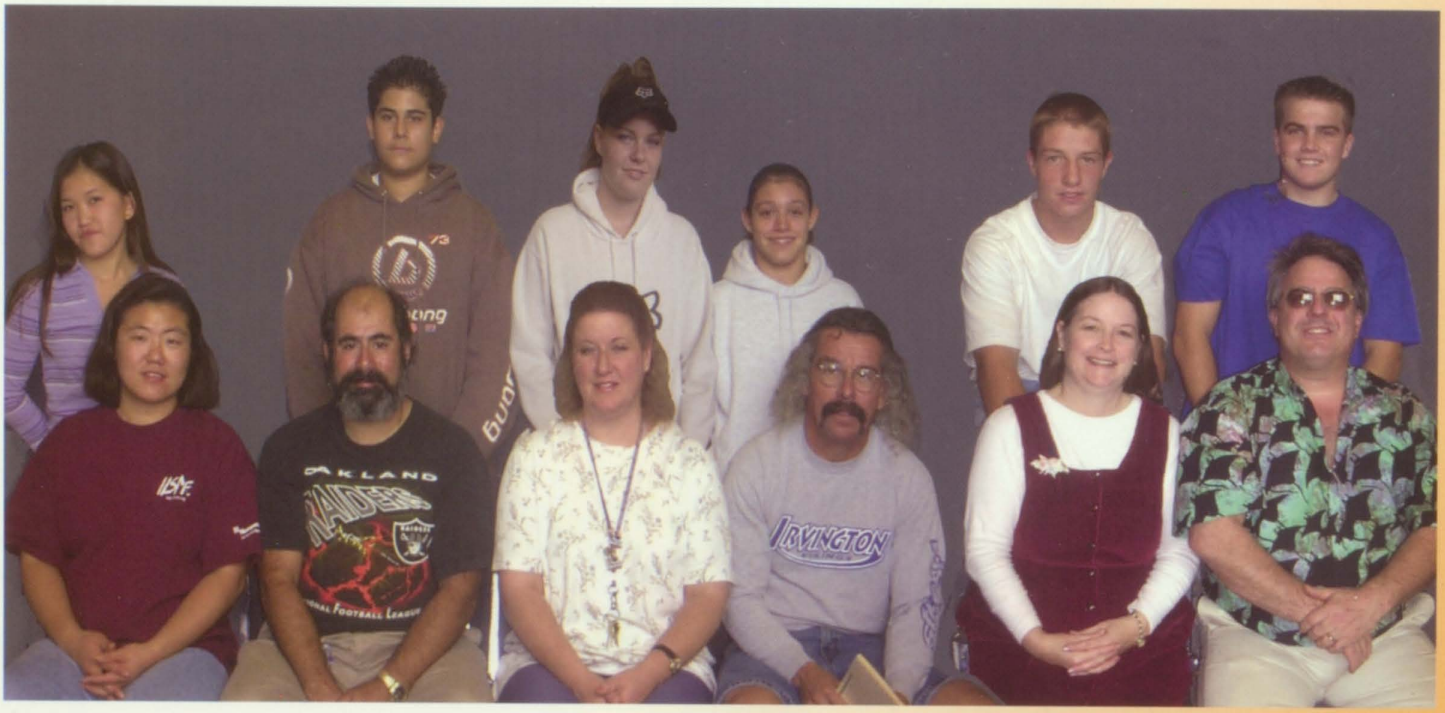
With the aura of excitement that follows her around everywhere she goes, Jessica Kruse is a great person to talk to, laugh with (and sometimes at), and hang out with. If you don't know her, you are definitely missing out. If you do know her, you know how devoted she is to everything and everyone she meets. Jessica is definitely an optimistic person with only fun in her mind.

Jessica laughs as she tries to get her dog and best friend, Zoe, to play with her instead of her toy. Jessica and Zoe have been through a lot together, and Jessica relies on her for support, even though she is a dog.



Alyssa Nimedez
Robert Noakes
Mirta Nunez
Justin O'Neal
Dana O'Toole
Cassandra Osegueda(Kirby)
Christian Palacios
Martin Pantangco
Megha Patel
Sagar Patel
Ryan Paulsen
Eric Pennelly
John Pfenning
Kim Pham
Linda Pham
Robert Pierce
Irina Pisnaya
Stephen Premeau
Nicole Price
Pasheonia Prudhome
Kevin Pyle
Regina Quezada
Macodia Quintana
Drew Raboy
Amanda Ramirez
Jesus Ramirez
Randy Ramos
Aldis Rapa

It's All Relative!



The Juniior Class is the only class at IHS that has so many students with relatives on the IHS staff. From left to right, with each student behind their immediate family member: (Back Row) Susanna Tuan, Charles Marotta, Melissa Lankford, Regina Quezada, Ryan Paulsen, and Trevor Sanford. (Front Row) Teri Hu, Charles Marotta, Cindy Lankford, Arturo Quezada, Susan Paulsen, and Gordon Sanford.

Jessica Rash
Valerie Raygoza
Andrea Reck
Angela Reed
Reyann Reeves
Todd Reid Jr
Francis Remeneski
Danielle Rieta
Jose Rivera
Jessica Robertson
Olivia Rodriguez
Mario Ruiz
Raul Ruiz
Saskya Russell
Nicholas Rutchena
Alyssa Rutherford
Christina Ryniewicz
Lisa Saballos
Manjot Saini
Sean Saladin
Maria Salido
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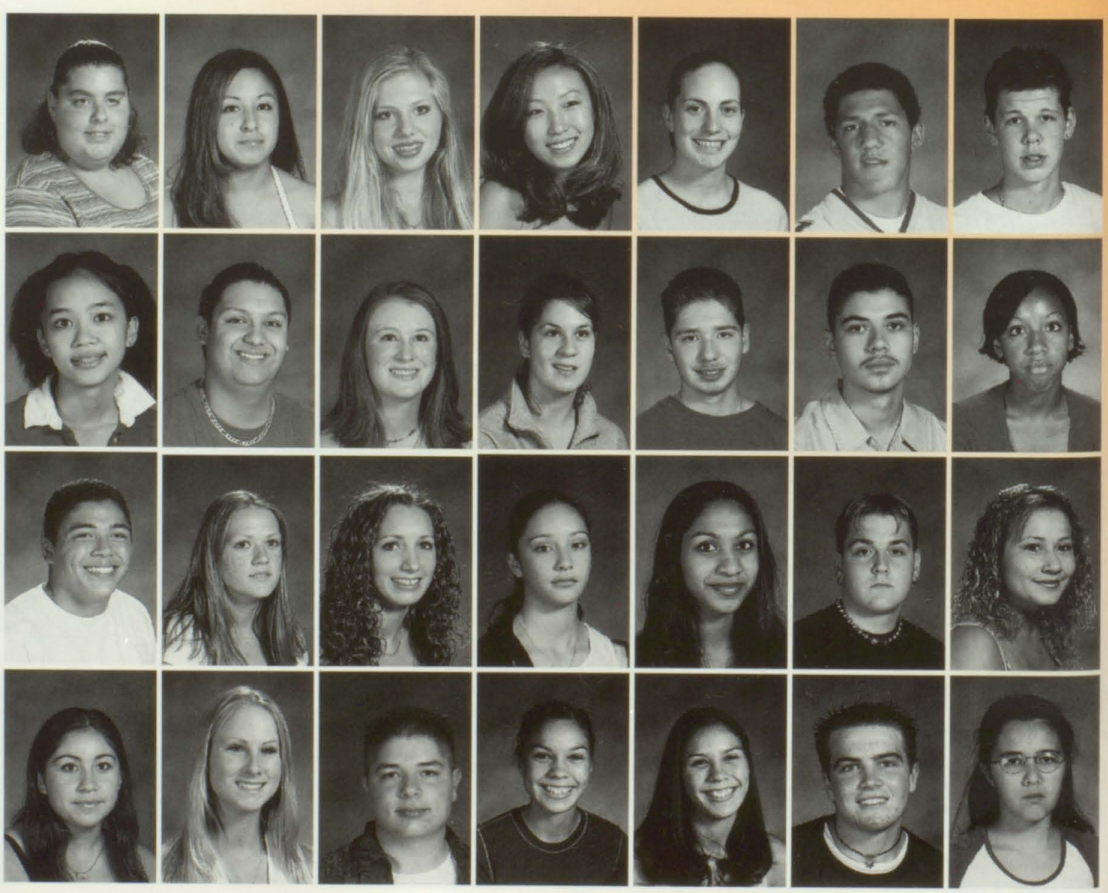
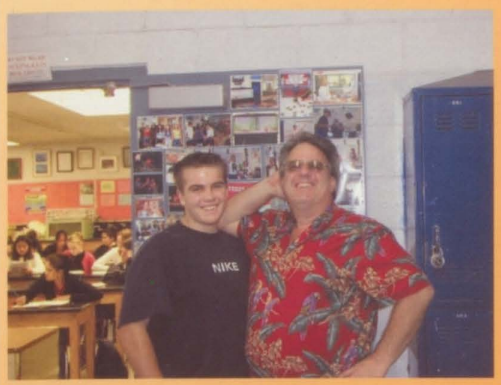
Trevor Sanford
Tuyet–van Sansone



Although not very frequently, the two Sanfords are sometimes able to enjoy a little time together in between classes. Trevor and his dad have a great relationship.

Melissa Lankford and her mom get to see each other whenever Melissa has to go to the office. Their relationship is extraordinarily positive considering it being one beween a mother and a teenage daughter.



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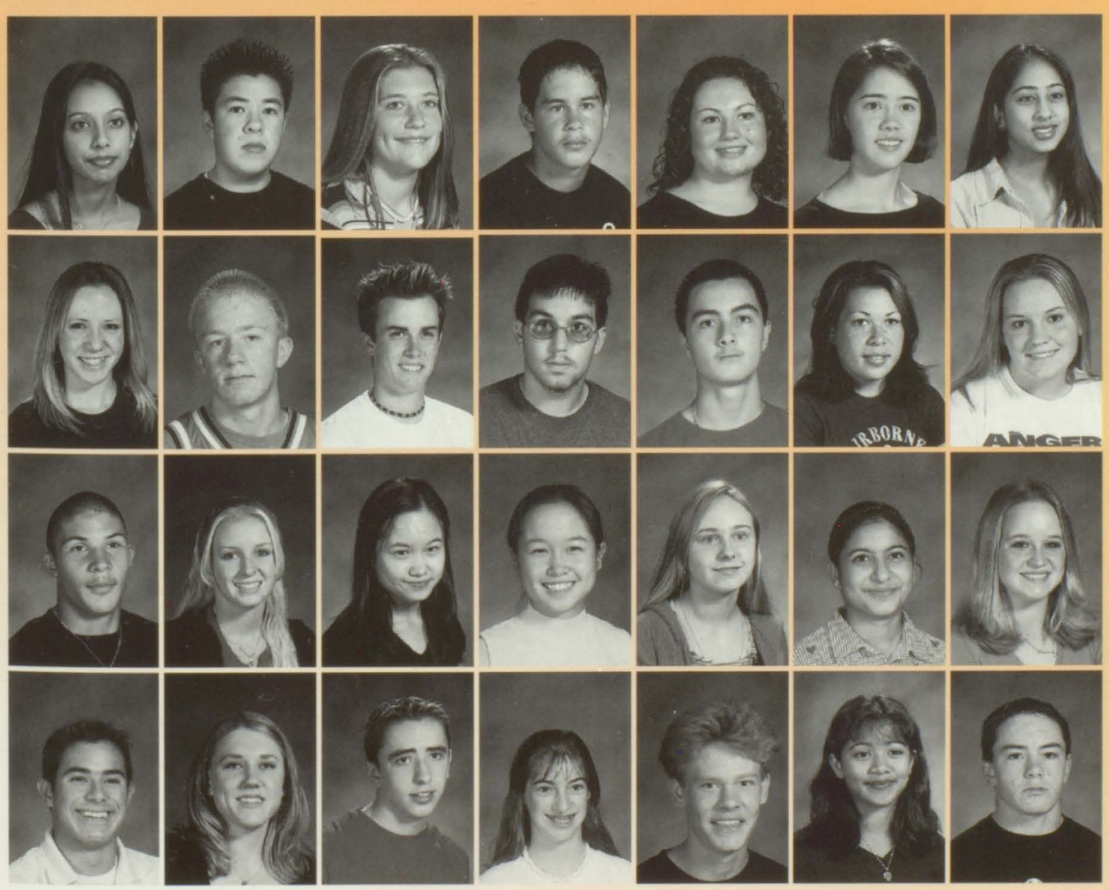
For most students, school is a great place to get away from the stresses of home life: chores, siblings, and, of course, parents. For some students, school seems just like an extension of home life because their parents work here at IHS. Although most people would think having a parent on the faculty of their school would be worse than the Backstreet Boys breaking up, Melissa Lankford and Trevor Sanford both have adjusted their school life to accomodate their parents working here.

Melissa Lankford, whose mom is registrar Cindy Lankford, enjoys her mom being on campus. "She's here is I ever have a problem or get sick," Melissa comments. Her mom notes, "I get to see her more often, which is a good thing." Also, Melissa's teachers know who her mom is, which, Melissa says, can be both good and bad. Trevor Sanford likes having his dad, Science teacher Gordon Sanford, on campus for a different reason than Melissa. "I can get money from him!" Trevor says. That's a definite plus. Mr. Sanford says, jokingly, "I get to keep a close eye on my son!" He also enjoys special privelages as both a parent and a teacher, such as being closer to the field at football games.

Sometimes, though, having a parent on campus is not as fun as it may seem. "People are always bugging me to put in a good word," Trevor admits. "And my dad is ALWAYS there." "People rub it in my face," Melissa confides. "And sometimes she tells my friends what's happening at home." But, overall, both wouldn't know what to do without their parents, both on campus and off.



Tina Saparia
David Sauer
Candice Schrodetzki
Dustin Seidler
Cindy Serene
Jennifer Sewell
Rachana Shah
Patria Sigafoose
Eric Silveira
Zachary Silvernale
Joshua Silvestri
Wesley Sims
Jeanine Siquig
Lyndsie Smith
Matthew Smith
Nicole Smith
Agnes So
Brenda So
Julia Sokhatskaya
Nancy Sood
Nicole Sorensen
Chris Sotomayor
Natassha Soulier
Jeffrey Spector
Savannah Spencer
Christopher Stage
Imelda Stephen
Brandon Stephens

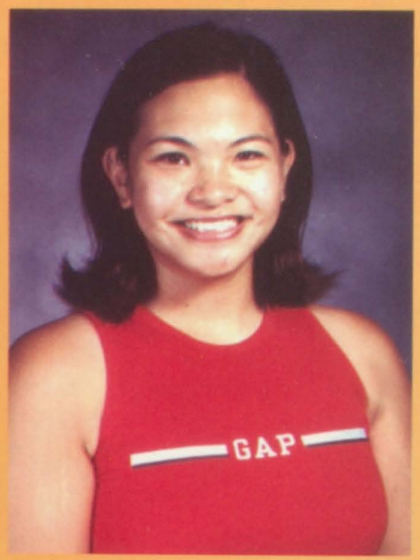
A Beautiful Psyche

With You
by Analynn Burgos

With you there are no tears,
They're all wiped away,
Just like the rain,
After the new month of May.

With you there are no fears.
They're all scared away,
Just like the night,
Gradually turned day.

With you there is safety.
I'm protected from all evil.
Anything that can harm,
I face with hope and ubheaval.



With you there is friendship,
A bond so strong,
It withstands all forms of obstacles
To last life long.

With you there is love,
A connection so grand,
You and I walk through arduity,
Hand in hand.

With you there are no limits,
Anything can be acheived,
A drem turned to reality,
has been perceived

With you there is me,
all my wishes come true.
I follow my heart,
and there I find you.

Brandon Stewart
Erin Stewart
Jacob Stewart

Dana Stocking
Quincy Stokelin
Erin Strong
Linda Su
Sarina Suminguit
Jacquelin Szeto
Gary Ta
Evelyn Tan
Mohammed Tantoush
Mirna Tarazi
Jonathan Tes
James Tran
Susanna Tuan
Zin Min Tun
Twialla Turner
Bree Turpin
Shelby Twohig
Brian Ulin
Enny Van
Tina Vaziriza
Sarah Vegas
Gabriel Velez
Sonia Vila
Michael Wagner
Tricia Wai
Kevin Walter
Justin Wang
Kyle Warmack

The Mirror Girl

by Shazia Bashiruddin

When I move she moves too,
She looks like me,
nothing brand new
She has the same hair,
eyes and nose,
She and I can even make the same pose,
She and me are alike,
but have no fear,
I am merely looking in a mirror!

Secret Love

by Shamama Burney

As soon as I saw you, I knew it was true
I could be in love, but only with you
Your beauty is so blinding, I cannot see
The world has disappeared, there is only you and me
You're sweet as can be, to you I cannot lie
I wish you were with me, you I could never defy
I hope that one day soon, you will feel the same way
But until then, in my thoughts, you will always stay

Amy Watson
Matthew White
Chelsea Whitfield
Patrick Wilburn
Jeanine Wilcox
Cristal Williams
Linda Williams
Cecilia Willyoung
Katherine Winkley
Hayley Wise
William Wolf
Kenneth Wong
Ryan Wong
Eve Wood
Amanda Woodrum
Chris Wright
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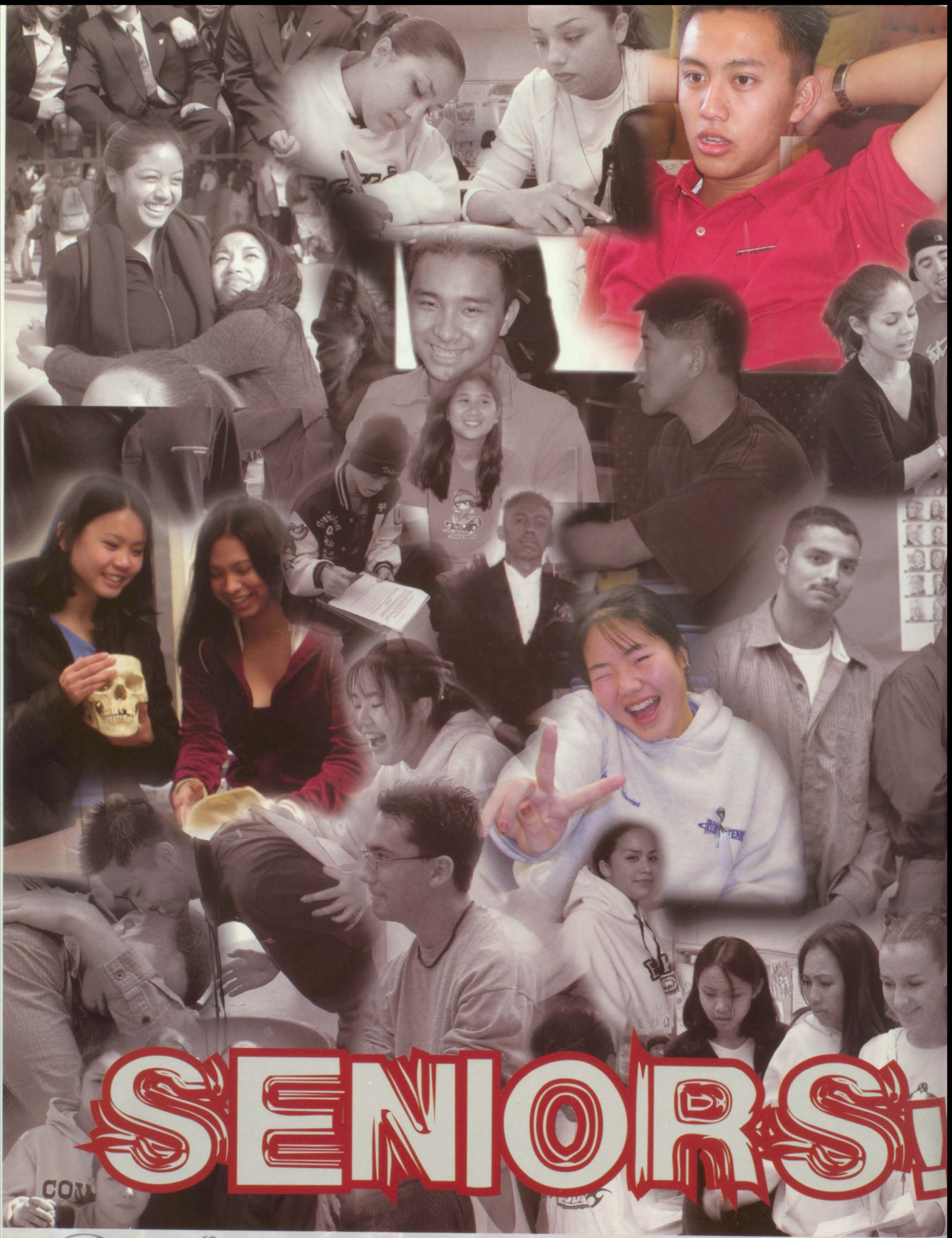
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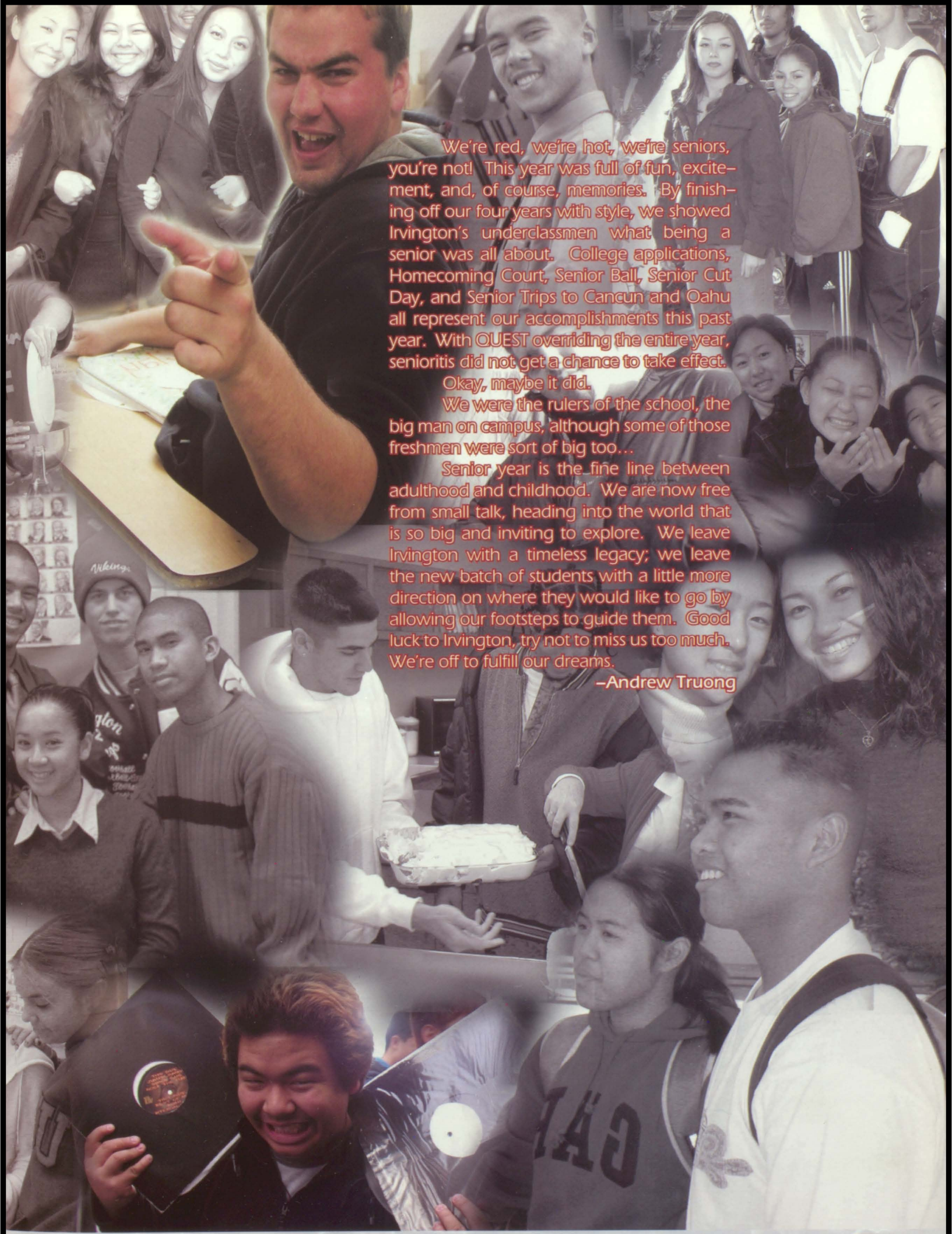


We're red, we're hot, we're seniors, you're not! This year was full of fun, excitement, and, of course, memories. By finishing off our four years with style, we showed Irvington's underclassmen what being a senior was all about. College applications, Homecoming Court, Senior Ball, Senior Cut Day, and Senior Trips to Cancun and Oahu all represent our accomplishments this past year. With QUEST overriding the entire year, senioritis did not get a chance to take effect.

Okay, maybe it did.

We were the rulers of the school, the big man on campus, although some of those freshmen were sort of big too...

Senior year is the fine line between adulthood and childhood. We are now free from small talk, heading into the world that is so big and inviting to explore. We leave Irvington with a timeless legacy; we leave the new batch of students with a little more direction on where they would like to go by allowing our footsteps to guide them. Good luck to Irvington, try not to miss us too much. We're off to fulfill our dreams.

–Andrew Truong

It takes a lot of work to fulfill the responsibilities of senior officers, but President Laura Clay and Vice-President Natalie Lee stepped up to the challenge with style. They had to take care of the Spirit Week activities, plan the Senior Picnic, and Senior Ball.

What inspired them to join ASB? Laura joined "for the memories. I watched sophomore year as the seniors bonded." Natalie joined "to run spirit week because I'm tired of losing." They didn't disappoint in that department.

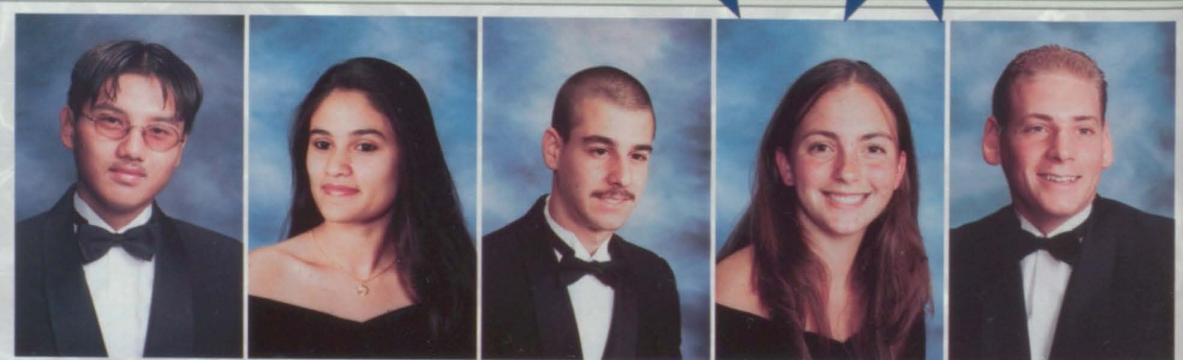
So what do the girls do when they're not taking care of business? Natalie likes to watch movies, hang out with friends, and "waste time creatively doing intellectual things." Laura likes to swim and "bake all kinds of recipes, cakes, and cookies."

The two are not only associates but have become friends. They have many memories to share. "At bench building," Laura begins to explain, "Natalie was bored and started to jump on the trampoline in my backyard. Someone told her to jump six in the air; she tried and ripped her pants!"

What do they have to say to everyone?

Callin'

LANCE ACOSTA
NILOUFER AHMED
SAFE AL-ATTAR
HEATHER ALCOCK
KEITH ALDINGER



BRANDON AMARO
NANCY AMAYA
ALYSHA ANDERSON
LAUREN ANDERSON
NICOLE ARMSTRONG

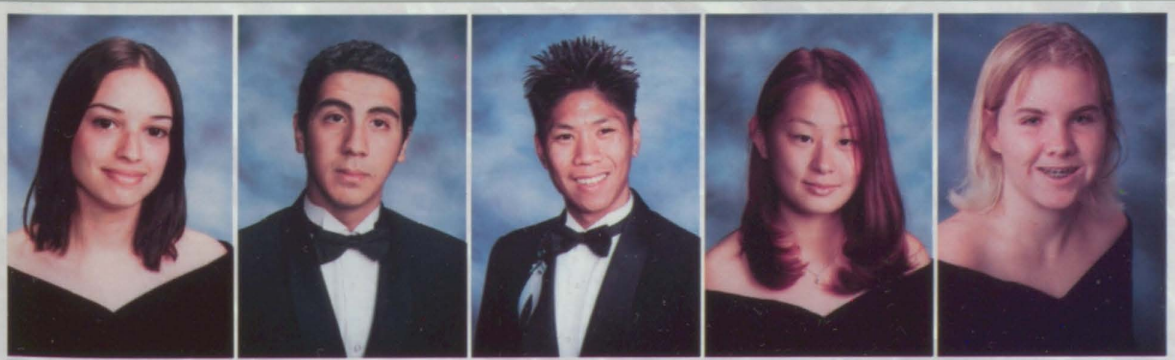
Laura: "If you really believe in what you want, you can get it. You just need motivation."

Natalie: "Without sunlight, its ya' know, night!"

Although their positions were stressful, Natalie Lee and Laura Clay never miss the chance to have some fun. Their sense of humor is always present.

The Shots

by Andrew Truong



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AMIR ASEFIRAD
CHRISTOPHER BADE
TERESA BAE
BRANDY BAHNEY

ROBIN BASRA
MELANIE BAUER
MYRHISSA BAUTISTA
VISHAL BAVISHI
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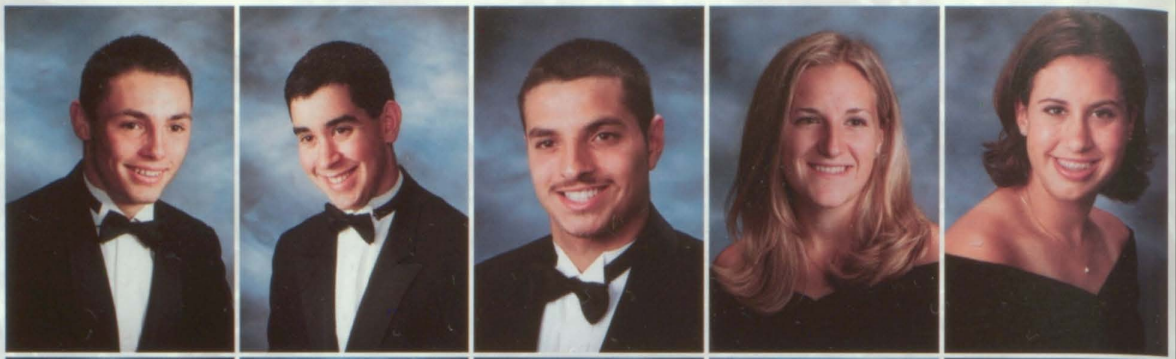


BRANDON BOGUE
FERNANDO BORJA
ERIKA BROWN
NOEL BROWN
SARAH BRUCE

Secret

Marilia Maschion, Grace Shaw and others attended dance practices that took place twice a week at school. It took many hours to perfect the dance.

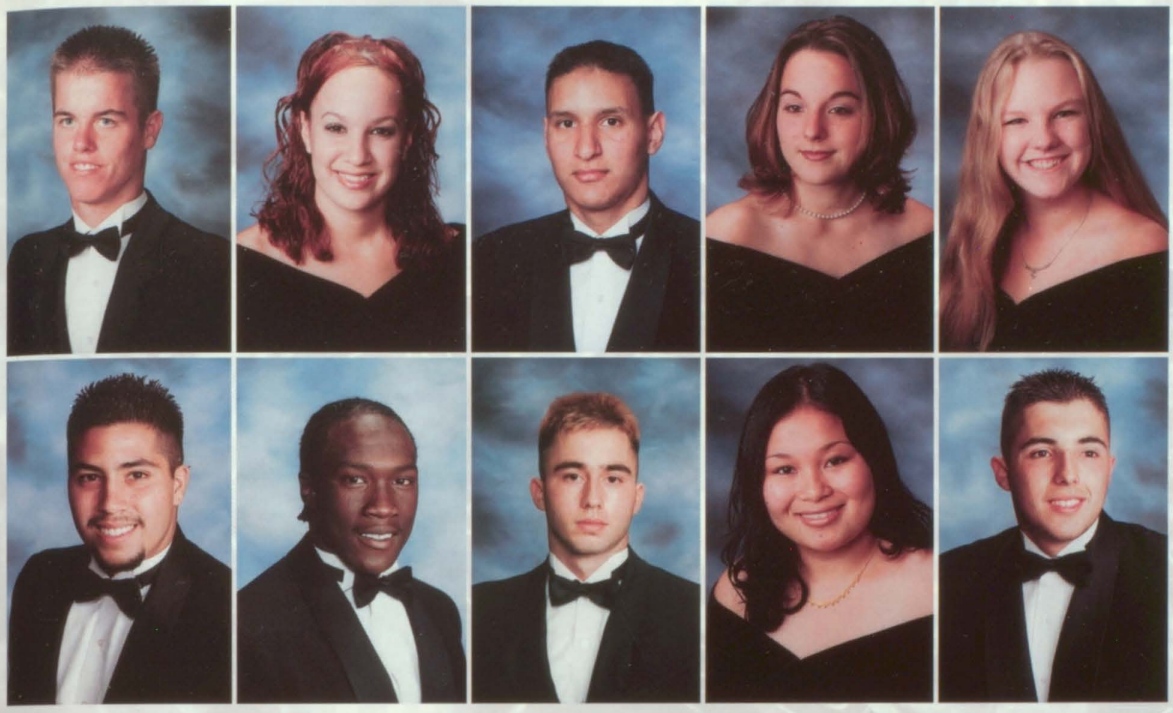
In order to follow the spirit week's "seasons" theme, the graduating class chose to be "Secret Agent Seniors Springin' into action." A very spirited group, it wasn't hard to get people to participate in the festivities.

The seniors had to build their bench, and create a dance and skit. Laura Clay, the class president, was in charge of bench building held at her house. The marvelous painted wooden street scene was constructed in a few weeks.

Grace Shaw called the shots regarding the skit, which pit the Irvington squad against American at the imaginary playground. The series of competitive games ended with an Irvington victory in the climactic Red Light, Green Light game.

Angela Joo choreographed the senior dance, a quick-paced set with spins and slides. The dance began with the agents pulling out their pistols to the boom of the Mission: Impossible theme, followed by the girls strutting their stuff to Destiny's Child "Independent Woman." Each guy paired up with a girl for the Inspector Gadget section, which preceded the massive finale, with over 35 people dancing to *Nsync's "Pop."

So what did the seniors get for



RYAN BUCHANAN
SENCHAL BURKS
STEVEN BURKS
NATALIE BURNHAM
JENNA BUTLER

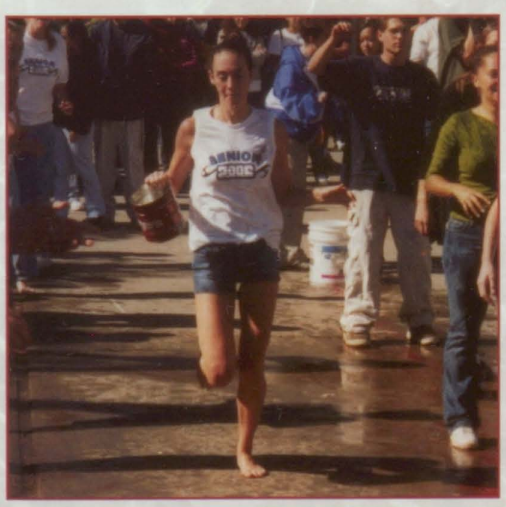
JAVIER CAMACHO
CHEVAS CAMPBELL
ALEX CAMPOS
BEVERLY CARABUENA
RICHARD CARDADEIRO

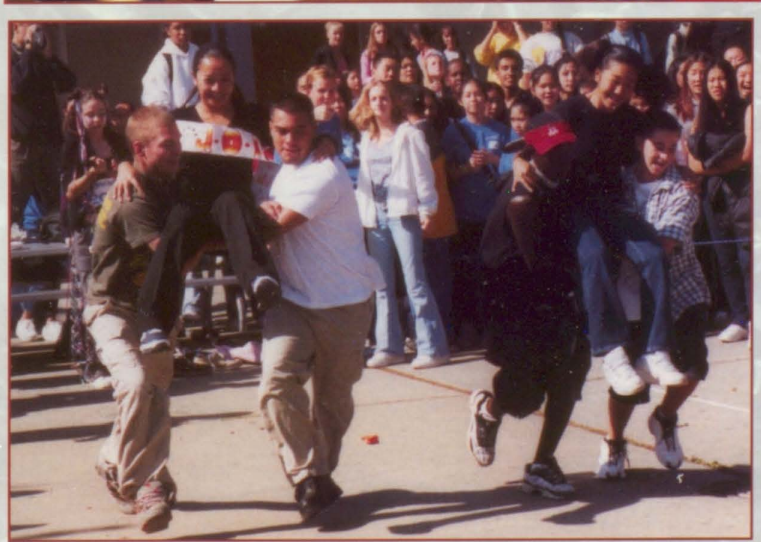
Agent Seniors

by Andrew Truong

all their hard work? Grace Shaw explains, "Spirit week was chaotic... Everything was up in the air and time was of short supply... But the senior class pulled through and check it out... We won triple crown!"

On the night of the Homecoming Dance, Gerstein Padua and Grace Shaw were announced the King and Queen. The seniors showed the underclassmen what they were made of.





Staci Lopes runs to the front of the "Bucket Brigade" line. The seniors are on their way to another spirit week victory.

Albert Sandoval and Jon Zmolek carry Linh Phan in a lunchtime spirit week game. There were games in the courtyard each day of Spirit Week.

Agents Mel Fontanilla, Ben Martinez, Miguel Sandoval, Irene Yuen, and Greg Lucas get briefed by Commander Gerstein Padua. This skit was part of the Senior's Triple Crown.

This year the seniors of 2002 made benchbuilding somewhat top secret. It was decided that the seniors would keep the fact that they were going to be Secret Agents well,secret! With long black trench coats, dark glasses and wigs made the Seniors bench very mysterious. The theme for all classes was "seasons" which was at first, very hard to incorporate sring and secret agents together. However, the Seniors managed to pull through and come up with "Senior Secret Agent Spy's spring into action". The actual benchbuilding was done at the Zmoleks house. Which was kindly volu-terred as the hang out spot for that time. Between building, eating, and playing the Seniors were sucessfull while putting all the scenes together. An old vintage car was even brought onto the campus, being the get away car of Agents Dick Tracey. All thid hard work finally paid off when the Class of 2002 was tripple crowned for thier bench, skit and games. Way to go Seniors!

Finding yet another clue, Jessica Perkins investigates a suspicious mailbox while Laura Clay looks out.

One of the ingenious scenes from the senior bench, This may look like a normal house. but hiding among the bushes are spies.

Secret

MELODY CASTRO
JUSTIN CHAIKIN
KAREN CHAN
NICOLE CHAN
SANDY CHAN

TONY CHAN
JENNIFER CHAO
JENNIFER CHEUNG
JOSEPHINE CHEUNG
DIANA CHIEN

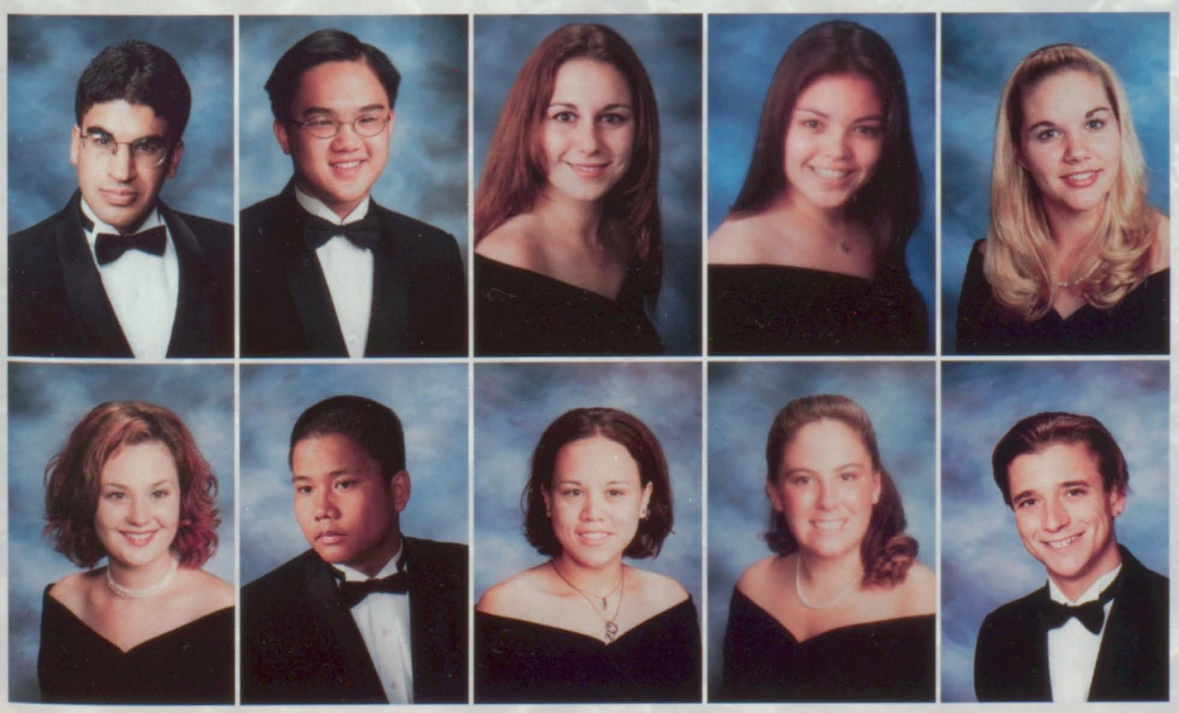
The seniors used this telephone booth the secretly transfer themselves to another dimension.

In order to make for Dick Tracy to stop by in a spying manner he had to roll his sleek black Chevy.

Seeing a whole wall filled with props for bench building should impress the judges and make a great impact on the students.

Hideout

by Cassi Perez



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APRIL CLAUSEN
LAURA CLAY

JENNIFER CROZIER
ADAM CRUZ
MELISSA CRUZ
NICHOLE CUNHA
JEREMY CUNNINGHAM

LORELIA DAVIS
RAMONA DEAN
KRISTINE DELA ROSA
PERCIVAL DELACRUZ
CHRISTOPHER DELUZ

JASON DEMEULENAERE
SHAWNNA DENOS
ASHLEY DENTON
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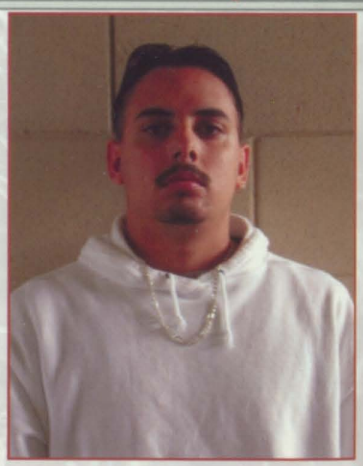
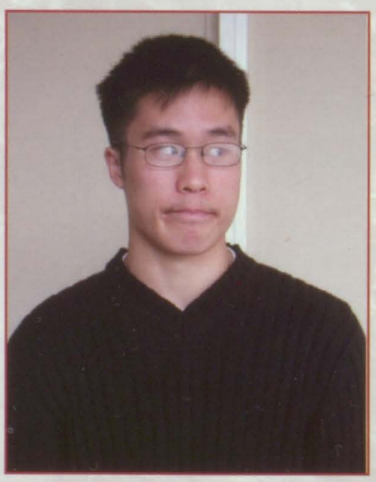
CORINNE DIDONATO

Sweet

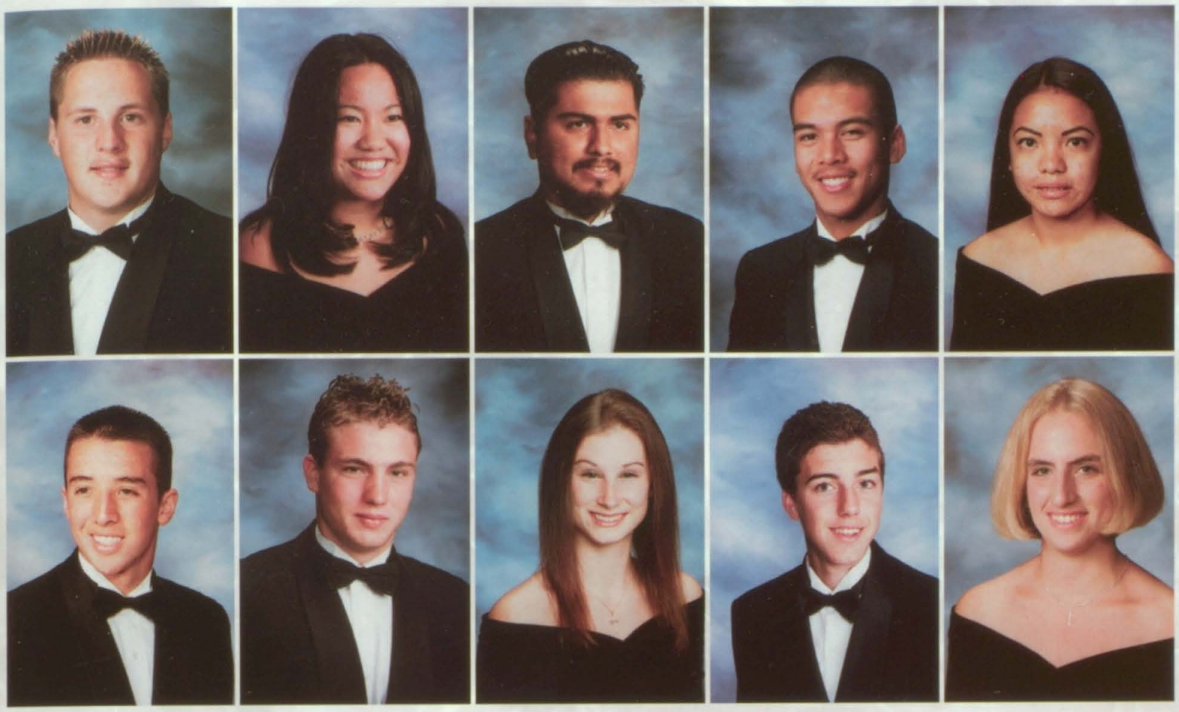
"Seeing all the new cute girls every year!"
–Chris Soria



"The teachers, if not my friends, are my fondest memories. In the end, my teachers became my friends. And that makes a difference. But most of all, Junior Prom, it was magical." –
–Adam Lau



"My fondest memory of high school are the seniors I looked up to and befriended throughout my years. Now that I'm a senior people look up to me. That's a great feeling."
–Brittany M. Herz



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MANUEL DONESA
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THOMAS DUNHAM
ARLEE EASTMAN

Memories

by Andrew Truong

What is your FONDEST MEMORY of Irvington High School?

"On Freshman Spirit, the dress-up day was Garbage Bag Day and I thought it was Garbage Day, so i wore a trash bag with trash on it and in first period they made fun of me." **– Jessica Perkins**

"All of the spirit weeks. It's the best time of the year! Go Seniors!"
– Margaret Gutierrez

Desire comes to school everyday with the hope and dedication that she will become a High School Graduate . She soon hopes to get involved in fine arts,computer arts, directing, and filming. But for now she auditions for plays and she is very involved with Anime.

When a high school student becomes a Senior, (finally!) they are faced with new tasks and responsibilities. A Senior Student is torn between childhood and adulthood. Everyday life for a teenager is exciting yet very time consuming. Seems as you have no extra time to do any thing fun on the weekdays. We must deal with our responsibilities, if we do not act on them then they will never get done. This results in failure which makes you work twice has hard to get them done later. For many High School Seniors it is hard to manage their time around the many things that they are involved but for this certain Senior she manages to do it easily. And not to mention she does it with pride and determination.

Desiree Peel is a Senior this year and along with the title comes decisions. Such as what they want to do after High School whether its college or work. In Desiree's case she decided that she wants to go to the Academy of Art College in San Francisco. She is very interested in

A Day

JEFFERY EDWARDS
DAVID ERWIN
MICHAEL EVANS
CARLOS FARIAS
MICHAEL FELIX

RENZO FERRADA
JARED FIGUEIRA
CARRIN FLORES
MELODY FONTANILLA
CHRISTINA FOTU

fine arts, computer arts and mostly directing and filming. In order to prepare for college Desiree decided to take drama, she auditions for plays She has been in The Lion The Witch and the Wardrobe here at Irvington.(which was very successful) She also enjoys drawing and working with anime, Desiree loves the outdoors, in fact she used to be on the track team but her arthritis made it hard to run because of the pain. " I love to run, I feel so free" Desiree had to stop running track but this only made it easier to find more time to improve on the things that she enjoyed most. Desiree's family has been there for her throughout the good times and bad. Her sister and two brothers (ages 2,4,6) keep her busy while she's at home. She hopes that one day they will also have their own goals in life and be able to one day reach them.

Being together just makes the day so much better for Desiree Peel and her boyfriend Mark . They help each other study in this exact same spot

in the Life

by Cassi Perez

CHAD FREEMAN
SARA FULK
ALBERT FUNG
MATTHEW GALARDI
ABIGAIL GALLOWAY

ALLISON GARCIA
NATALIE GARCIA
VINCENT GATDULA
ELEESHA GATES
RHEANNA GISLASON

Being a high school student with a mother that works for the school is a mixed blessing. Jon Zmolek, 18, and Mana Kahali, 17, are two of these students.

Jon and Mana, seniors at Irvington, both enjoy wreaking the benefits of the situation. "Overall its great having my mom work here. She's the greatest," explains Jon, a track team member. What are some of the perks? "I can get a late pass to any class. During lunch I get food!" And the downs? "Whenever I cut classes she knows right away. The worst thing is that she knows my teachers. Whenever I do something wrong, my mom knows and she'll stay on it until I get it done." he adds. Mana, a volleyball player and CSF Sealbearer, shares her thoughts as well. "It's cool, whenever I need something, she's there. I have less to worry about. She doesn't bug me or anything, and we get to joke around."

Carol Zmolek is Jon's mother. She has been with the faculty since 1995 when she was a substitute. She spent 5

In the

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CHRISTOPHER GREEN
CRYSTAL GREEN
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GARY GRIFFITH

JULIE GROVER
KRISTINE GUEVARRA
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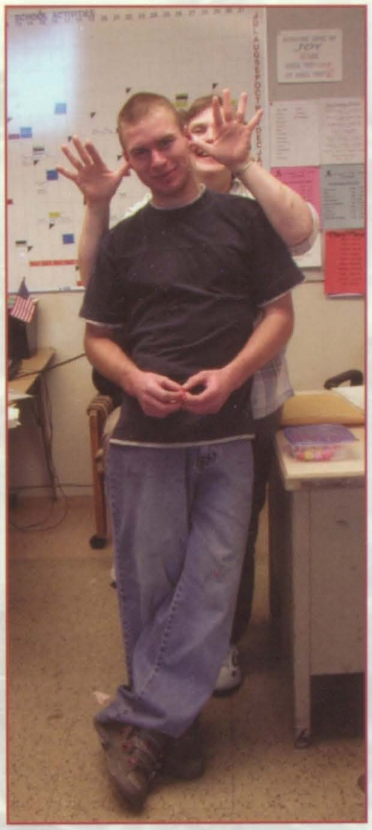
MARGARET GUTIERREZ
JASON HALL

SARAH HALL
SHAISTA HASHEMI
MATTHEW HASKELL
SHAWNA HEATH
BRITTANY HERZ

years in the kitchen, and a little over a year in the copy room. Why'd she decide to work at the school? "Because I love kids, staff, we tease and have fun with each other." How does she feel about having two sons, Jon and Jeff, attending the school? "Other parents don't get to see their kids during the day; we have closer ties this way." She believes it's "up to the kids if they want to get involved" in school activities. Any fond memories? "We had bench building at our house for the third time this year. Its always fun!"

Ms. Kahali is a resource assistant for the school. She has been at Irvington for 7 years. Her other daughters, Shaya and Noosha, graduated from Irvington and currently attend UC Berkeley, where Mana will be joining them next year. What does she think about the experience? "It's nice to be able to get to know the teachers and have a more personal relationship with the school. It helps me feel closer to my daughters.

What happens after they graduate? Jon and Mana both agree, "I'll miss her when I go to college."



Family

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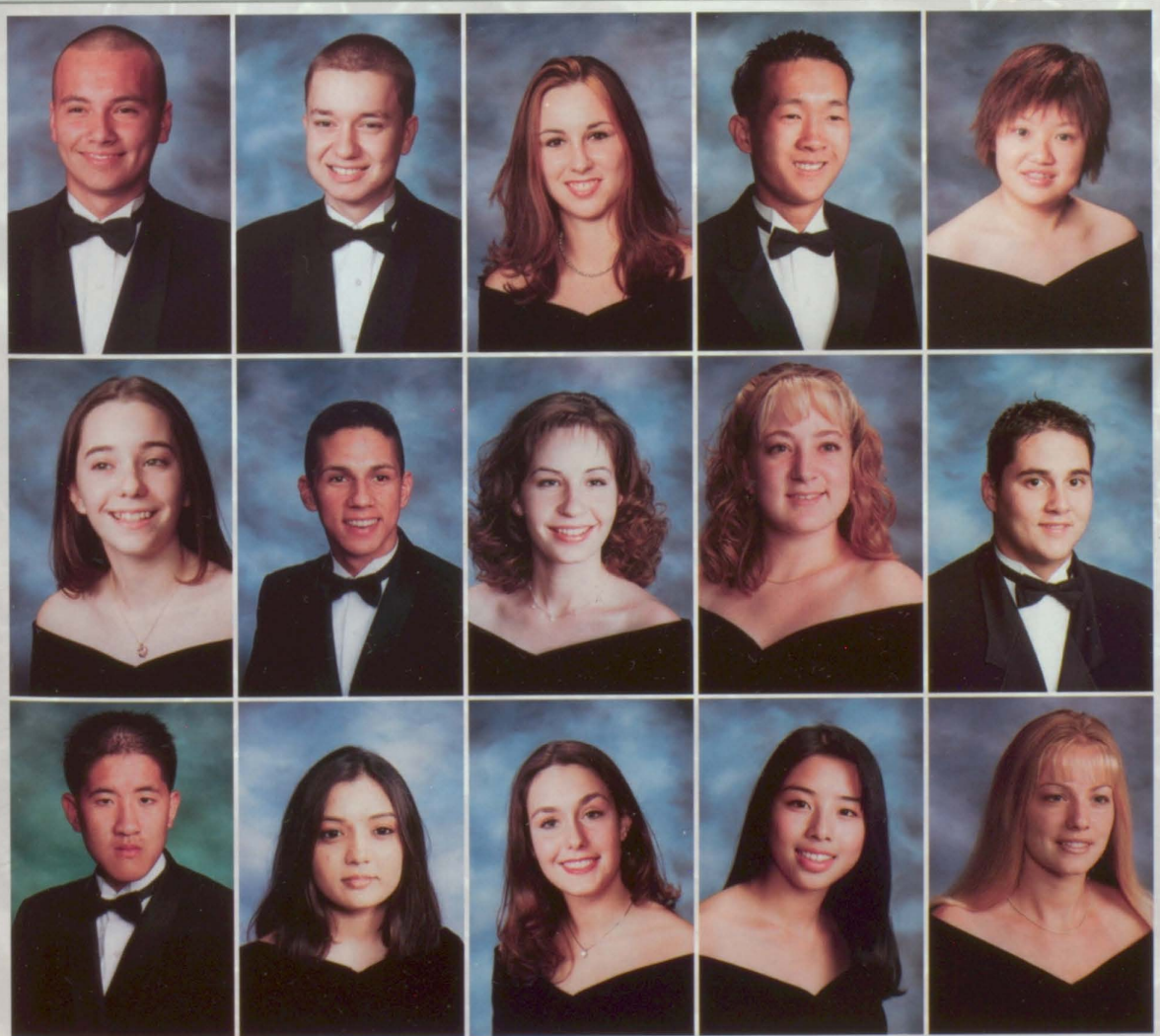

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DAVID HOWE

STANLEY HUNG
KANIZ HUSAIN
CHRISTIN HUSBANDS
VIRGINIA HUYNH
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ERICA JHINNU
JULIA JONES
ANGELA JOO
KATHERINE JUENGER

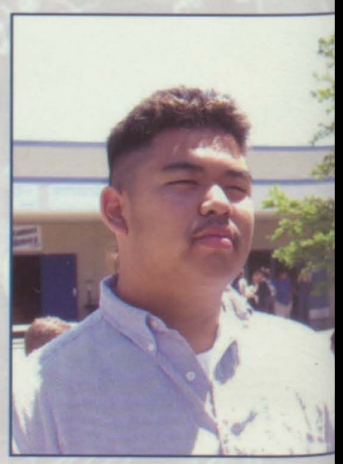
KENNETH JUENGER
MANA KAHALI
JUSTIN KALLA
ARDANA KAMAL
VADIM KANDALOV

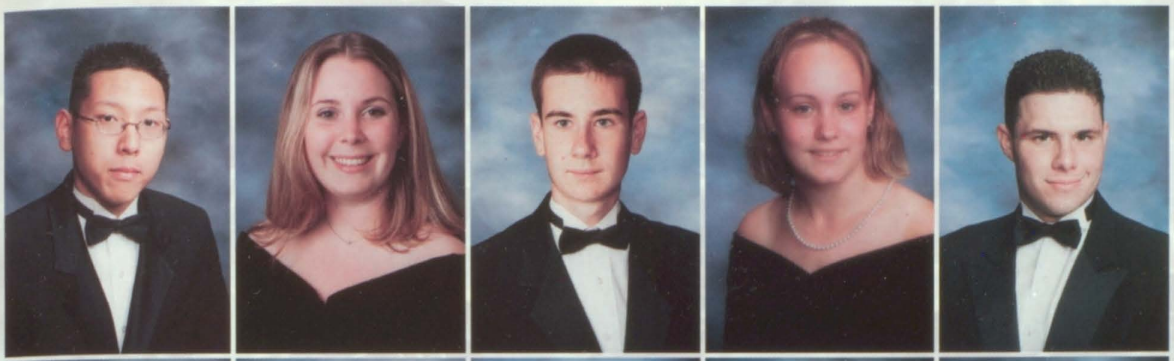
Words

What's right and what's not?
In the world of confusion in stock
A battle against my own dreams
Hard to reach dreams
glued with frustrations,
yet unable to scream
Seems like everyone knows their path
While sometimes
I can't even figure out my math
But I have a goal
Do you care to know?

A goal to hold on to life real tight
Even when life loads me up with things
that aren't all that light
People say diligence counts
And sometimes the wind can blow
from the South
A battle against my own dream
We'll see if I am the one to win.

–Emory Lee





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DAVID KINGHORN
HEATHER KIRCHER
BRADLEY KLOSSNER

TOFIQUE KUNDWALA
NISHANA KURUPPU
JENESSA LAGOS
JOHN LAMENDOLA
DREW LANCE

of the Heart

by Andrew Truong

it took 4 years
3 years to slack
you didn't do jack
guess what... it's all there
its that year, the last
you know what your doing now...
what you should've done in the past

pushing 12 hours of school
everyday....
3 years of being a fool
4 years of work in 1 year
no way

but that's the way it is...
here's a glimpse:
shameful events
personal secrets
happy times
and sad moments
all events flow through my mind

they flow everywhere
straight, left, right
flowing free
flow with your might
let em go straight out your head
free flow
like the birds and the bees
the wind through the trees

wait! stop!
take a look!
do you see?
the future seems misty...
you thought you knew
what you had to do
where you were going
not it's all showing

you lost...

–Ruel Deguzman

The memories I leave behind
will last me a lifetime
and as we reflect upon our pasts
before we cross the finish line
and take one last
step across the platform
I realize there's so much I have not done.

At least 12 years of classrooms
chalkboards and report cards
and now the oh–so familiar faces
will disappear from reach
into our blurry memories
as we travel on
to our faraway and distant places

Every excuse
we've lived by
will become our lives
and the triumphs we've made
echo the memories
we leave behind and fade
like old pictures and ticket stubs

So now its over
final victory is at our fingertips
and the sleepless nights
blur into days
where we take a leap
into or new lives
and the world couldn't be any bigger.

–Brittany M. Herz

Butterfly

I started as a caterpillar
Wandering around
lost and confused
thinking to myself who am I
What am I?

Then one day life was hard
So I hid away from friends and family
I built walls around me
In my cocoon i thought.

A few years went by
Then for no reason I came out
I flapped my wings
Showed my colors to all
I was ready to fly free.

Someone came along one day
When I was not looking
They took everything away
I had no control
I was stuck

Put in a glass jar
Looking out
all the other butterflies flyng aroundi
I just spend my time dreaming
Someday I want to be free.

I want to be free
Out of my jar
I want to live MY life
I want to fly far
but for now I am stuck

Someday though
I will fly high
Once again my colors will show
Then I know
I can truly be free.

–Jennifer Shaack

Poetry

VICKY LAO
ADAM LAU
JACQUELYN LEAN
BRIAN LEE
DOROTHY LEE

EMORY LEE
JENNIFER LEE
JENNY LEE
NATALIE LEE
TIFFANY LEE

The bridge,
that connects him to her,
then and now,
here and there,
past and future.

The one we all wish
to cross one day
without falling off.

The one some cross too quickly.
Take some time
to plan your trip on this bridge.
For you will only cross it once.
Think of how often you will stop,
and immerse yourself
in all of the great that is below,
and behind ou: All that you have
accomplished to get to this bridge.

Don't take it lightly.
Although you are high above others,
you have not reached the eak of life.
This bridge will connect many
memories that will forever be engraved.

You will only cross it once.
Make that crossing memorable; look
around and enjoy.

Once you cross this bridge, smile.
Inhale.
Prepare.
All that you left behind
will be a memory.

–Marilia Maschion

The dim–lighted hallways seem to go on
forever
the blue lined lockers salute me
they tell me that this is a school of pride
they tell me that they've got nothing to
hide
but as I walk, scrutinizing every detail like
a suspicious lost in a new house
I feel the eyes on me
I feel the words they say as if they were
pricking my skin
I walk faster so that they won't catch me
must I run forever
if I don't' want to be eaten alive?

–Jennifer Cheung

the Sequel

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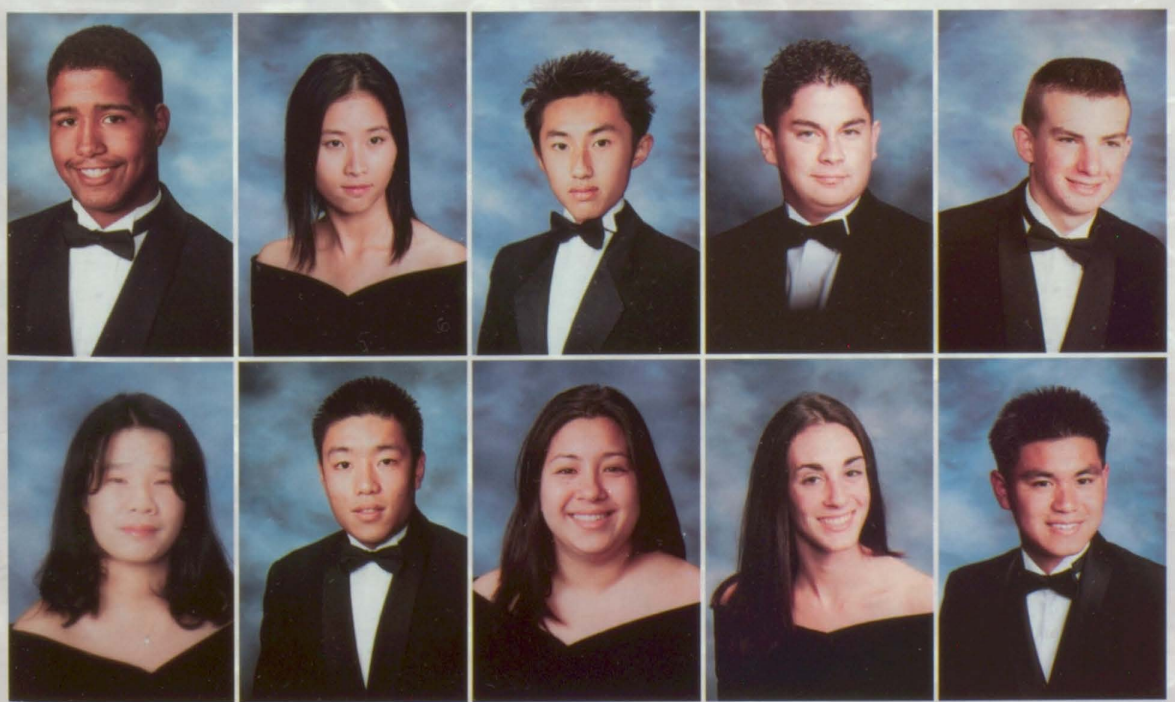

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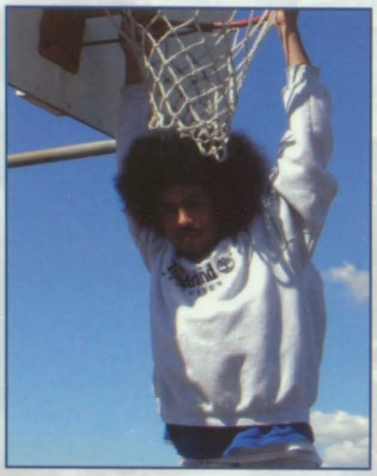

One of many things that **Jayson Rose** wants to continue doing might get him to the "big time " one day. Jayson is looking forward on going to Fresno State one day but for now he is going to de his general education at a community college. The cost of a four year college is outrageous. " I'd rather go to a community college first to get a feel of college life then transfer when im ready." When he is in a four year college he wants to major in business. He also wants to keep playing basketbell in hope for a scholership or maybe even a shot at the pros one day.

After these four long years of High School **Yasmine Ziadeh** is heading off to Amman, Jordan where she will continue her education. Yasmine is going to the University of Jordan to study, and major in computer science. After her college graduation she will return to the United States to continue her goals with a carreer that will fullfill her life. Yasmine is looking forward to her move " It will be a big change, but im excited!!"

after

GREGORY LUCAS
MELISSA LUCERO
AMANDA LUMLEY
RUPA MAKADIA
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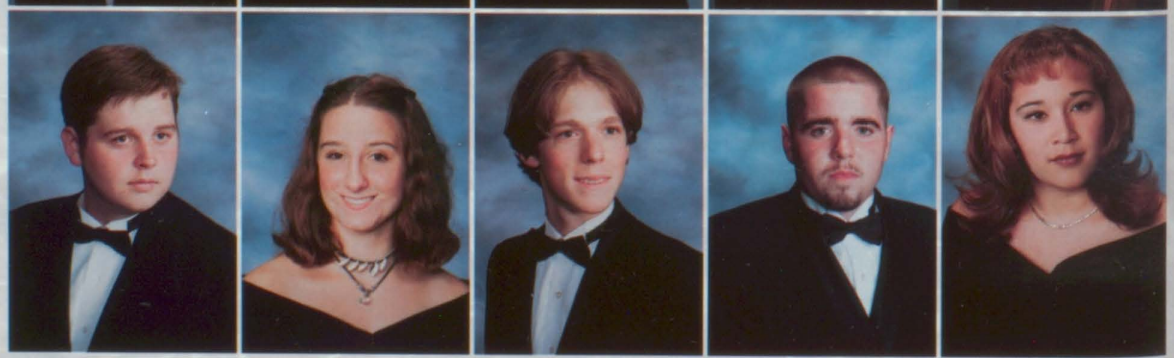
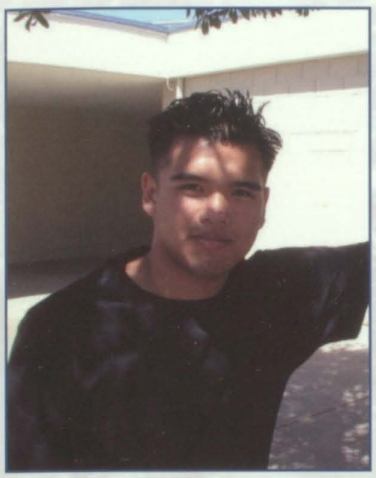
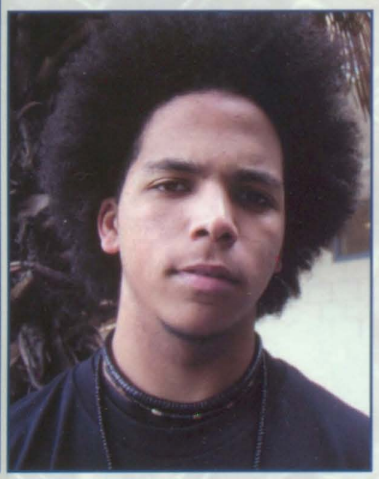




Inspired by the tradegies of September 11,2001 **Russell Rose** is determined to fight for his country. He was interested in joining the Airforce before 9–11 but this event made him sure what he wants to do. The United States Airforce where he will study blank. He is joining for blank years.

When you hear art, someone like **Trinity Peterson** pops to mind. With the talent and skill that Trinity has we can only imagine what carreers the future holds for him. He wants to attn The San Francisco Academy of Art, where he would like to paint and create sculptures. Trinity says " It would be more practical to become a graphic designer because they get paid more." Every great man has a back up plan. If creating art doesnt quite work out, Trinity would like to pursue his passion for hip–hop." For now i have been practicing, writing lyrics but i need to practice my ability to make beats because its better to be versitle than to rely on other people." AS you can see Trinity has his goals, all we can do is wish for the best.



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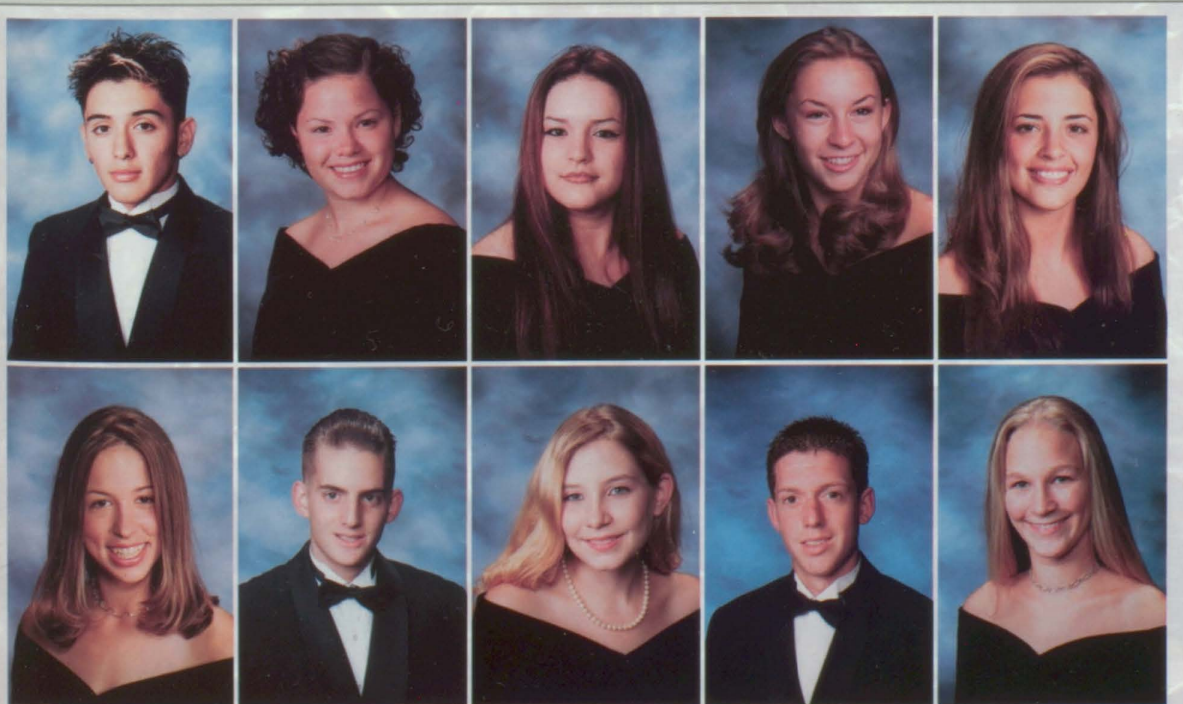

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LISVETTE MARTINEZ
RANDI MARTINEZ
MARILIA MASCHION

AMBER MATHIAS
JOSHUA MATTISON
LEANNE MAXWELL
RICHARD MCGUIRE
CATHERINE MCKEEFERY

Standing next to her 1995 convertable Ford Mustang, Mariella Ruezga appreciates what she's got. Keeping her grades high and making sure that she doesn't slack off finally paid off.

At the age of 16 it is a privilege to get your license and become a driver. Most people have a plan in order to buy a car. Either you start working and save up, your parents or grandparents cough up the dough or face it, you have a shiny brand new 2002 bus pass. Well its not the best but it takes you place to place. Gas is also a big money eater

"When my friends want a ride they put money on the gas tank," says car owner Casey Markovich. These cars are not just any high school students cars. These students are riding on chrome. Each and every person takes pride in their rides. Whether old or new, the cars are kept at top-notch condition and quality. For those on a budget, weekends mean it's time to wash, scrub, shine, condition, and sup-up and be ready to cruise on aSaturday and Sunday. With will the attention they get in these rides who needs a diploma?

With new 20's and 22's these kids have a lot of competion. Hubcaps are not okay anymore now you have to have the chrome rims, Daytons and racers like that lightweight stuff. Oh who needs a backseat anyway. My little' sister can walk home from school!

Overall, having a car is not only "cool" but it also makes our daily tasks a lot easier besides how else will the homies and vatos talk to you? Making sure you keep up your grades is important, many parents wont allow their children to drive their cars until their grades improve. "You might as well take High School seriously if you are going to be here" says Mariella Ruezga. Although not all parents punish their children in this way it seems to be effective. All in all if you don't keep up your grades it only affects you in the long run.

RIDIN' ON

DIANE MCLEOD
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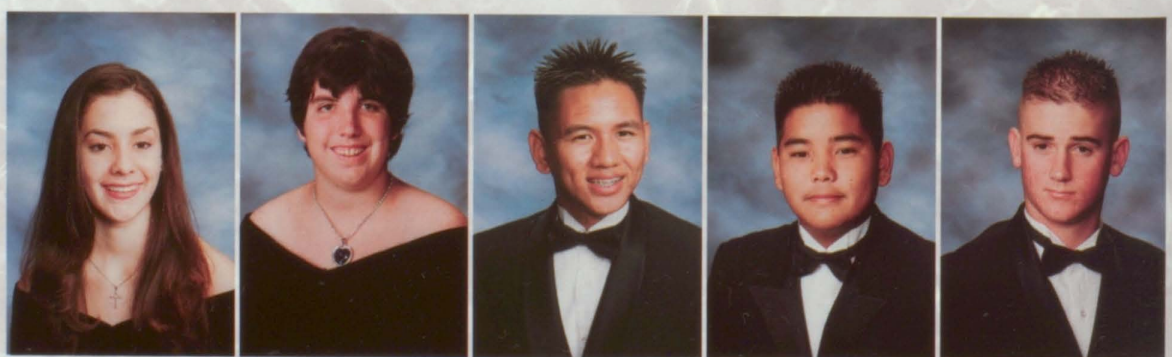


CARLENE MINYEN
RASHELL MISZANCZUK
YOSRA MOJADDIDY
JESSICA MORELAND
VICTOR MORENO

Safe Al–Attar has no problem pick–ing up the ladies as long as the windows are down, when there up yoiu just see yourself. These mirror tints are very popular among the younger drivers.

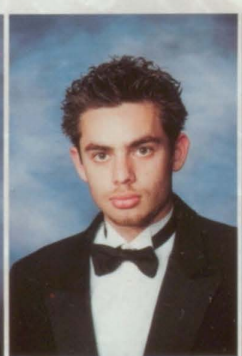
Safe Al–Attar and his friends ride to lunch in a souped up 97' Acura in honor of his brother who passed away on March 1, 2002. Sader Al–Attar was a student at Irvington and played running back for the vikings. He graduated with the class of 1998 and also grad–uated in Feburary at San Jose state. His car was passed down to his brother Safe where its in good hands. " I think i'll keep this car for–ever" says Safe, He washes his car all the time keeping it in the tip–top condition that his brother did.. Rest in Peace Sader Al–Attar.

Sitting inside his 1996 Chevrolet S10 Chris Deluz knows that what hes sitting on was paid out of his own pocket. Saving up enough money to buy his truck Chris reflects on what it took to get there.

Casey Markovich has pride for his 1976 Plymoth Volare that he bought on his own. He worked all senior year long, he takes pride in his ride.

cHrOmE

by Cassi Perez



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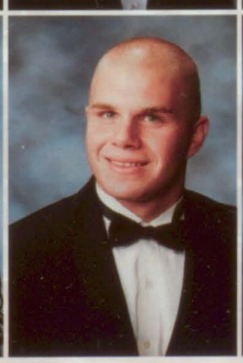
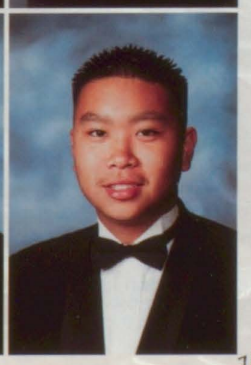




JANE NOBLES
ANTHONY NOVELLO
SONDRA OWEN
PHILLIP PAA
JEFFREY PACOMA

I've always wanted to go to a small school. This ruled out most public schools, so it was time to look for private schools. I would need major help to pay for private school though, so I decided to look into R.O.T.C. Army seemed like the best branch for me, so I looked for a school with Army R.O.T.C.. Then I decided I wanted to go to school in Washington state, and the only two schools left to choose from were Seattle University, and Gonzaga U. I liked the campus of **Seattle U.** better, and Seattle beats Spokane any day. So, I'll be attending Seattle U. in the fall.

–Jason Hall

California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo wasn't my first choice, I'm still excited about going there. Originally, my first choice for college about 2 years ago was UC Davis where my friends would be. I applied to four schools: UCLA, UC Santa Barbara, UC Berkeley, and Cal Poly SLO. I really wanted to go to UCLA for their acting and business programs, but I didn't make it. I heard good things about Cal Poly and my friend Carrin was going to go there so that's what I decided on.

–Irene Yuen

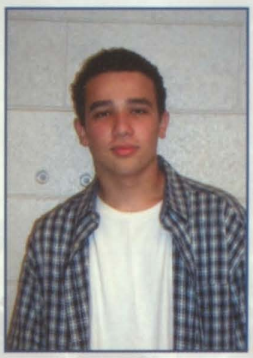
So Many

GERSTEIN PADUA
CLAYTON PALMBERG
RICHARD PARHAM
NIMISH PATEL
CORINNE PAYTON

DESIREE PEEL
ELMMA PENA
MAYRA PENA
MARICAR PEREA
CASSI PEREZ

I knew **Dartmouth** was for me the moment i stepped onto the campus. the college was gorgeous, everything a college is meant to be. The setting was cozy, the architecture was classic new england colonial, the scenery was gorgeous, and the students were amiable. their special academic calendar and variety of college-sponsored foreign study programs appealed to my love for travel, their dedication to undergraduate teaching appealed to my needs as a student, and their belief in a comprehensive education appealed to me as an individual.

-Tim Cao



Until I received the decision from both UCLA and **Berkeley** I was pretty set on going to UCLA next fall, however when I really started thinking about it the decision became harder that I had expected. I realized that his was possibly the most important decision I had made in my life so far. I finally decided on Berkeley due to the fact that I dislike the city of LA itself and Berkeley was more geared to my major. Basically in the end the Haas Business School at Berkeley swayed my decision that way.

-Yuri Yakubov

Why did I choose **University of California San Diego**? I chose UCSD because it's a good school, it's far away from home and I love the location. It also gives me a good chance to be independent cause my parents are so strict.

-Karen Chan

Choices

by Andrew Truong

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LAUREN PEREZ
PATRICIA PEREZ
JESSICA PERKINS
TRINITY PETERSON

HA PHAM
LINH PHAN
KRYSTAL PHANEUF
HEATHER PICCOLOTTO
JD PICHE

"Go around and meet more people, instead of kicking it with the same clique"
–Rachel Porlaris

"I wouldn't have changed anything. Everything I have done in high school had made me who I am today. I've gone through the good and the hard times, but I cherish all of them"
–Virginia Huynh

"Forget boys and focus on school!"
– Linh Phan

Second

RACHEL PORLARIS
APRIL PYLE
KARINA RADZIVILOVSKY
ERIKA RAMOS
NICOLE RAMSAY

SARAH RANALLI
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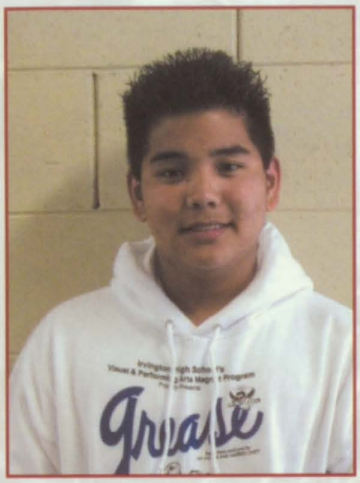
If you could go through high school again would you do what you did differently?



"I would spend more time working for Ms. Jackson!"
– Matt Mendoza

"I would have participated in Star Search... I also would have joined cheerleading."
–Allison Garcia

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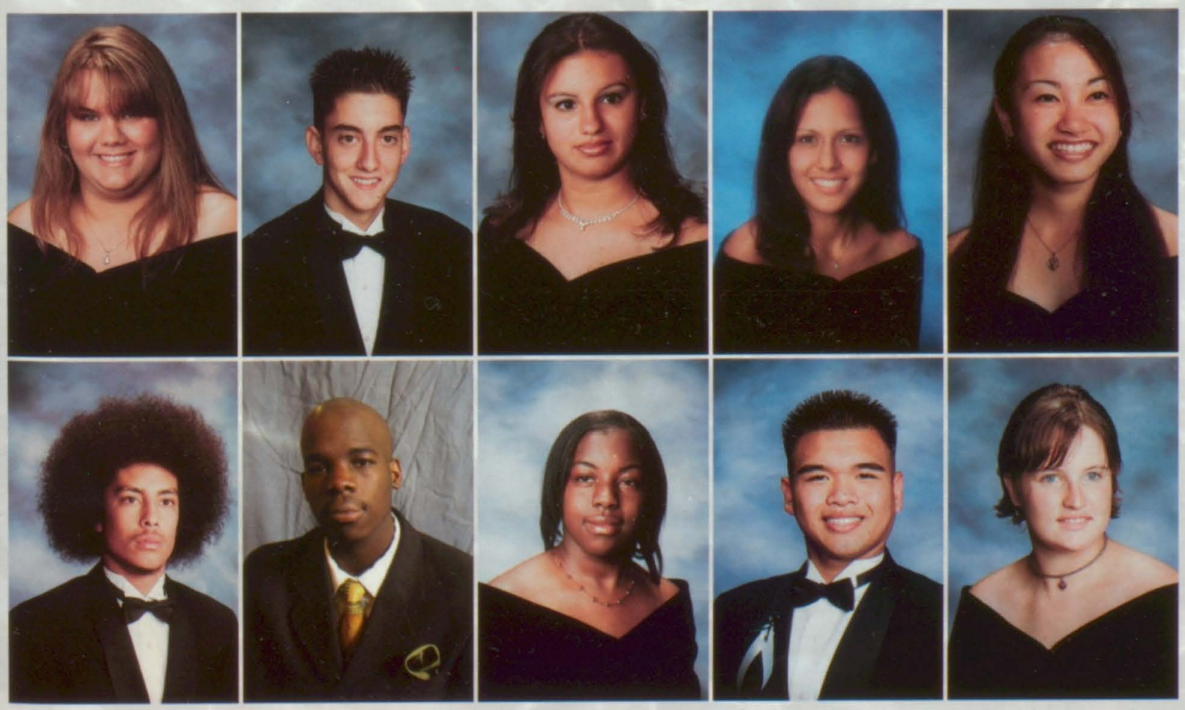

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RUSSELL ROSE
MACKENZIE ROWSON

MARIELLA RUEZGA
JEE–THIEN SAE–CHANG
ARSENIO SALANGSANG
NOAH SALAZAR
MARIA SALIDO

ALBERT SANDOVAL
MIGUEL SANDOVAL
JENNIFER SCHAAK
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GRACE SHAW

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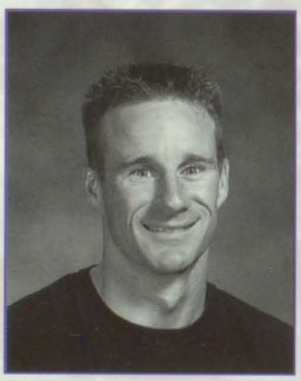
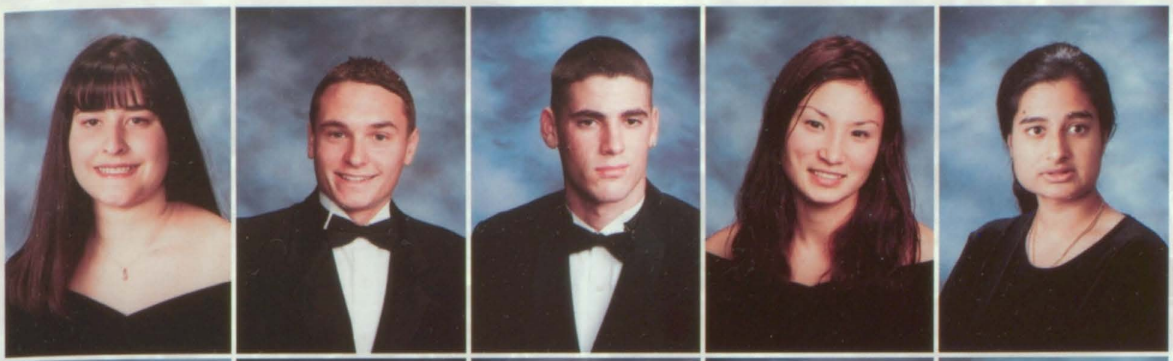
"Be kind, be happy, enjoy life."
–Mrs. Cook–Kallio



"I wish all of the seniors all the success and happiness that they desire."
–Mr. Boelter

"I wish the class of 2002 all happiness and good health."
–Ms. Paulsen

"I hope everybody has a successful career in photo and give me all of your money."
–Ms. Roman



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ANGELO SIU TOUNG
LEAH SKILLERN
CODY SMITH
RAHIM SONAWALLA

Words

by Andrew Truong and Cassi Perez

"As you begin your lives as citizens in a world that is much more demanding than the pressures you were faced with in childhood, remember to strive for balance. What college you attend and how much money you eventually make are both futile if you are not happy. Stay true to your innermost desires, or the "fires that motivate you," while maintaining your dignity and keeping intact those relationships that help you thrive. My heartfelt congratulations go out to you, the class of 2002!"

–Ms. Samrick

"Much success, much happiness and I hope that they will reach all the goals that they have set for themselves in the future."

–Mr. Sipsy

"I hope all the graduates take the skills and knowlege that they've earned from IHS and run with it."

–Ms. Hillier

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AMY SORIA
CHRISTOPH SORIA
CASSIE ST. MARIE
ROBERT STANDLEY
STEVEN STENDAHL

JACOB STONE
JOSHUA STONE
TING-YI SU
JESUS SUAREZ
JUE SUN

JESSICA SUPNET
KATHERINE TADINA
ALEX TAGUCHI
MARCIA TAI
CHRISTOPHER TAKEDA

NICHOLAS TALLEY
TAURIN TAN-ATICHAT
SANDEEP THIARA
AMY THOMAS
MICHELLE THURMAN

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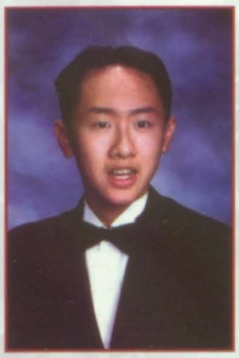
TAN TRAN
ANDREW TRUONG

Top Ten

by Andrew Truong

Irvington's brightest reminisces about their high school memories.



"Most of all... I will remember the deafening silence that washed over me every time i walked the halls when school was over. The emptiness relaxed me and gave me hope."
–Timothy Cao

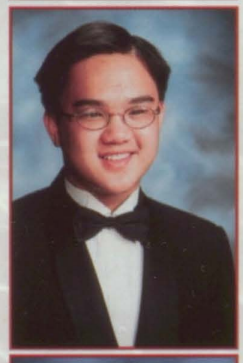
"Winning a gold medal in m first time EVER triple jumping and being named MVP. Dork 2001 in track and of course the unforgettable We The People bonfire."
–Diana Chien

"Treasure island sophomores, Ryla 00', We The People, JSA Winter State 02'. Irvington has prepared me for the future and made me realize that dreams can become reality."
–Mai Dinh

"I'll always look back on joking in class, badminton, Star Search, the boat race, and the greatest friends and teachers."
–Virginia Huynh

"The performing of Oklahoma when my parents and boyfriend were in the audience and I got flowers."
–Jennifer Cheung

"Well it's the little moments that count right? So for me it was just everyday at lunch just hanging out with friends."
–Grace Shaw



"The night before the first semester AP Calculus Final, a whole ton of people came over to my house to study. It was really fun to have everyone over, it was like a party!"
–Kevin Chow

"Cross country an track have been the greatest experiences ever. And the squirrel, how could I forget the squirrel? I will always remember my awesome friends.
–Abigail Galloway

"I will always remember my friends' version of high school recess, we kicked Skittles around!"
–Josephine Chueng

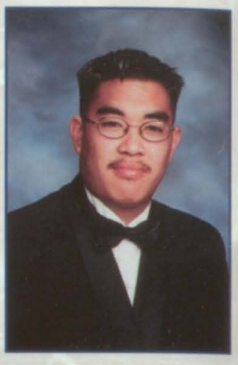
"I saw two seniors imitate the Saturday Night Live cheerleaders at a rally freshman year. It was hilarious!"
–Janice Arora

True Blue Vikings

by Andrew Truong

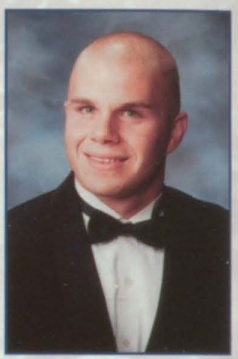
The Viking Award winners share their advice to all.

"Don't procrastinate. Make new friends, open your mind, try new things, get your driver's license, and most of all get a Palm Pilot."
–Gerstein Padua

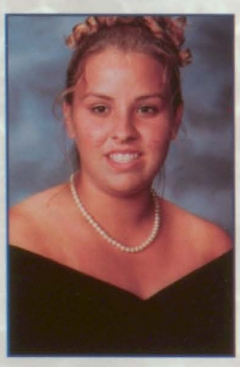


"Live your life so if someone tells you to be yourself it's good advice."
–Diane McLeod

"Just always think you can. Don't ever let anyone tell you you can't do something, because it's always possible."
–Anthony Novelo



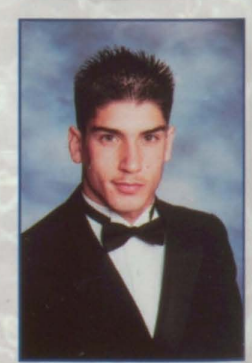
"Live life one moment at a time."
–Grace Shaw



"If the Eiffel Tower, Sears Tower and the Statue of Liberty were built in 2 years, think of what you can do in 4. Take advantage of the time you have here at Irvington"
–Ryan Silveira

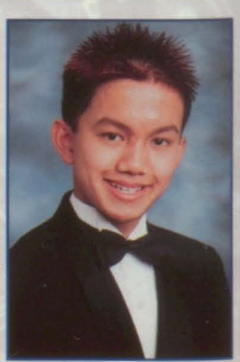
"Even though high school can be hard and you don't always know what's going on you'll come to the realization that it's all been worth it and you gain."
–Bonnie Valentine

"Success is not a secret. It's just hard work, dedication, and learning from your failures. Stay focused and you can accomplish anything."
–Zaman Virani

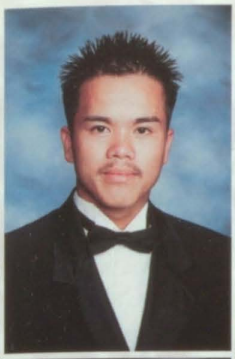


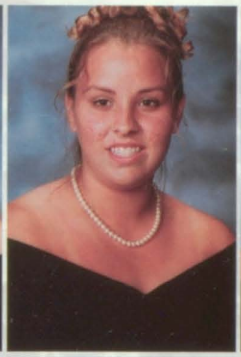
"Don't take anything for granted – especially life. Do anything you can to bring your dreams within your grasp, bont don't forget about your priorities."
–Marilia Maschion

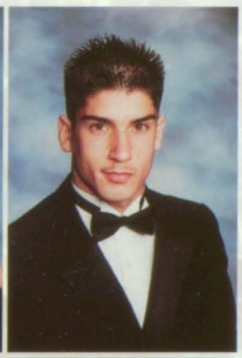
"Do what your heart tells you regardless of what society's opinion."
–Vincent Gatdula



"Always use pencil, and don't round until the end. What I mean to say is that we should never get ahead of ourselves. It's best to leave room for error, room to change and grow."
–Diana Chien







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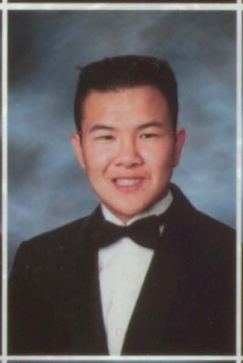
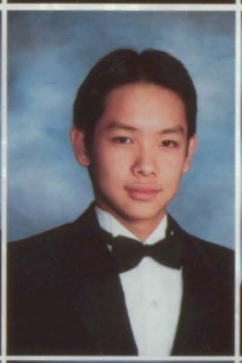
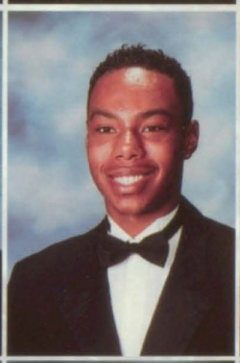

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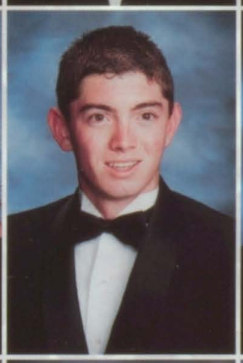
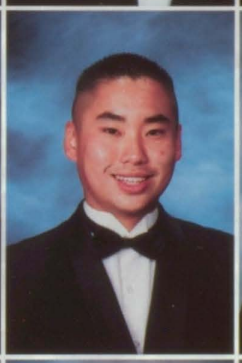
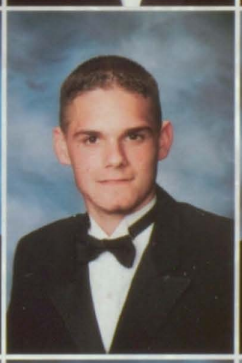

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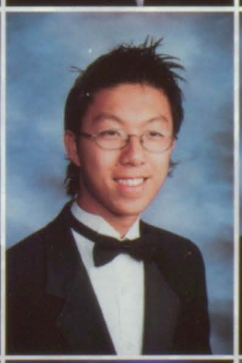
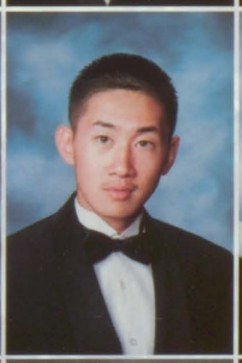

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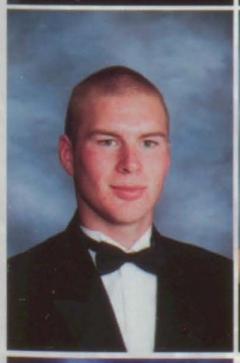

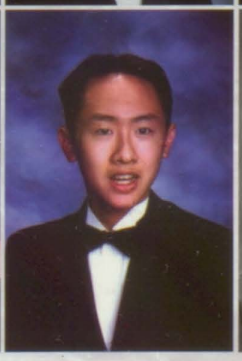

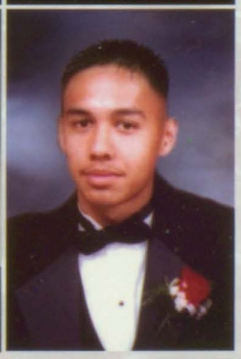

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Each one of the three hundred and seventy-four seniors belonging to Irvington High School's class of 2002 has been on quite an adventure. Each one has a fascinating story that can span years and thousands of miles. Our parents have given so much for us to get to where we are today. Let's take a look at where we've been. In grade school we learned to speak, read, write and make relationships with others. Junior high school taught us the value of trust, introduced us to relationships with the opposite sex, and how to deal with conflicts with others.

High school was truly a test of character. Freshman year we were ridiculed and clumsy as we adapted to the fast-paced high school lifestyle and got to experience the Freshman Benchmark. We started on the academic tracks that we would follow for the four years. Sophomore allowed us to comfortably pursue whatever our hearts told us. That included clubs, sports, other extracurricular activities, while in the classroom we became representatives of various countries in the United Nations Benchmark. Junior year would prove to be one of the toughest years of high school. The opportunity for anyone to take Advanced Placement courses allowed people to show colleges what they were made of. The dreaded SATs and driver's license tests were also tackled this year. Senior year would be the diving board into our futures.

Here it is. This is the end of our senior year. It is the ending to thirteen years of school. Some will continue education at a junior college, a California State University, a University of California, or an out of state or even out of country institution. Others will attend vocational schools, join the military, or start working. For the first time in our lives, we have choices to make about where we live, how we live, what we will study. This freedom so many of us have eagerly awaited can be frightening and wonderful at the same time. Senioritis has caught hold and has shown no signs of easing up, the wonderful QUEST project has kept us busy for some time. We have found ourselves struggling to finish our classes as we ponder the future and reminisce about the past.

High school was so much more

than the classes and the activities. We learned about more than math, science, and English. We found out who we were, who our real friends were, the right things and the wrong things to do in a relationship. We laughed at each other's silly pranks. We seeked comfort in others when things seemed to be overwhelming. We can never forget the way we felt when we looked into the eyes of that special someone as we slow-danced at Senior Ball. We felt the heartbreaks of failures and the triumphs of and success, whether it was a chapter test or a friendship. Who doesn't remember the excitement of Spirit Week or the various MVAL tournaments? Who can forget the feeling of togetherness when tragedy struck your circle of friends?

High school was not pointless after all, was it? As we walk across the stage in our caps and gowns to receive our hard-earned diplomas, remember what it represents. Our sweat, our blood, our tears brought that to us. When we hug and kiss our friends farewell, we will leave teary-eyed and complete. We've grown into wonderful men and women. Let us go and show the world what we're made of.

– Andrew Truong

Farewell...

the family
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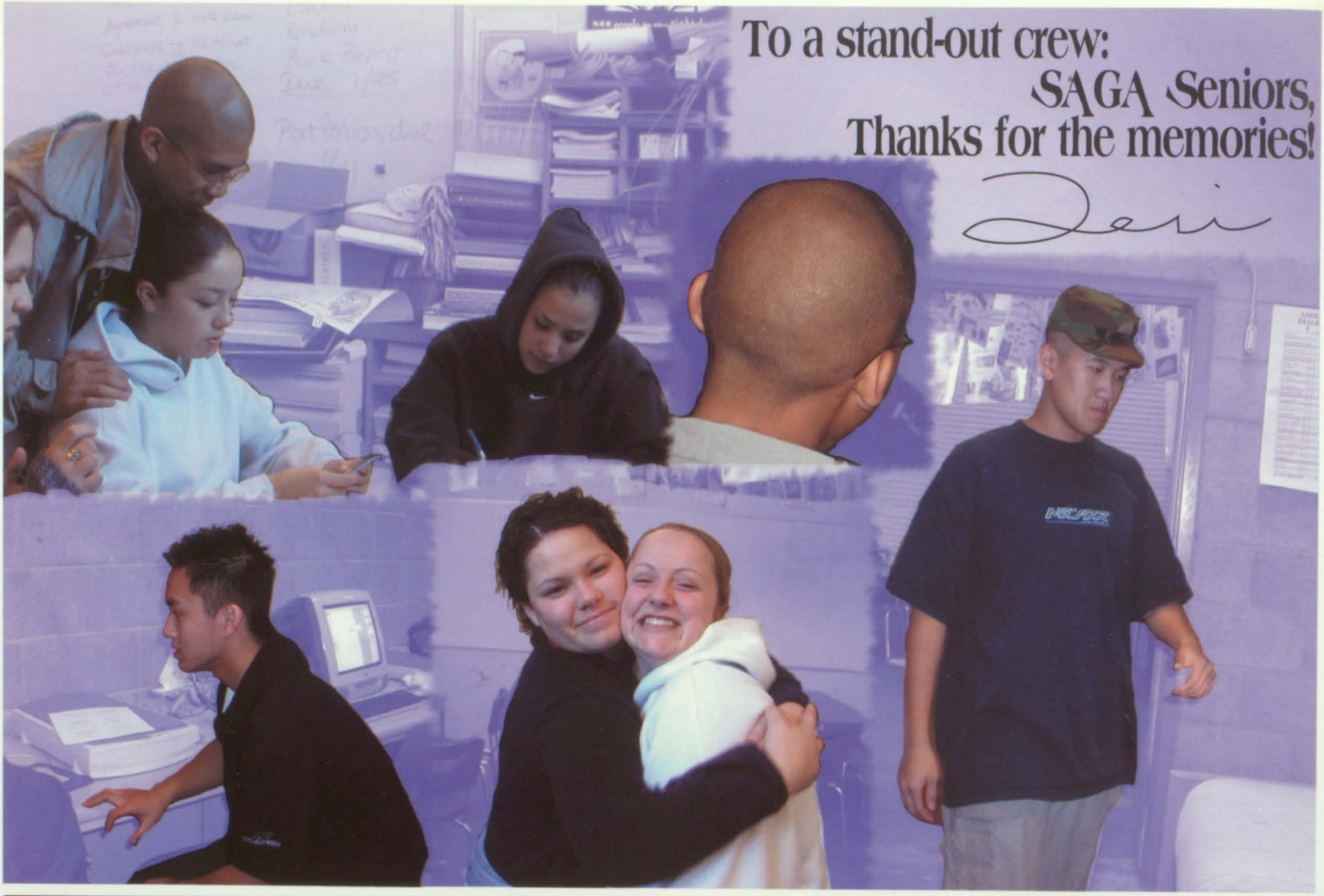
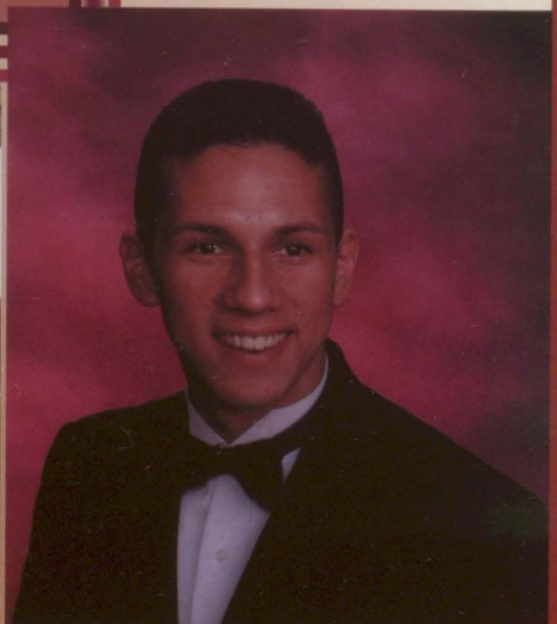


Michael,
You are the wind
beneath our wings.
Pull back on the stick and
keep aiming for the clouds.
We wish you well
in the pursuit of your wings and
will support you no matter
what endeavor you choose.
Love, Mom & Dad



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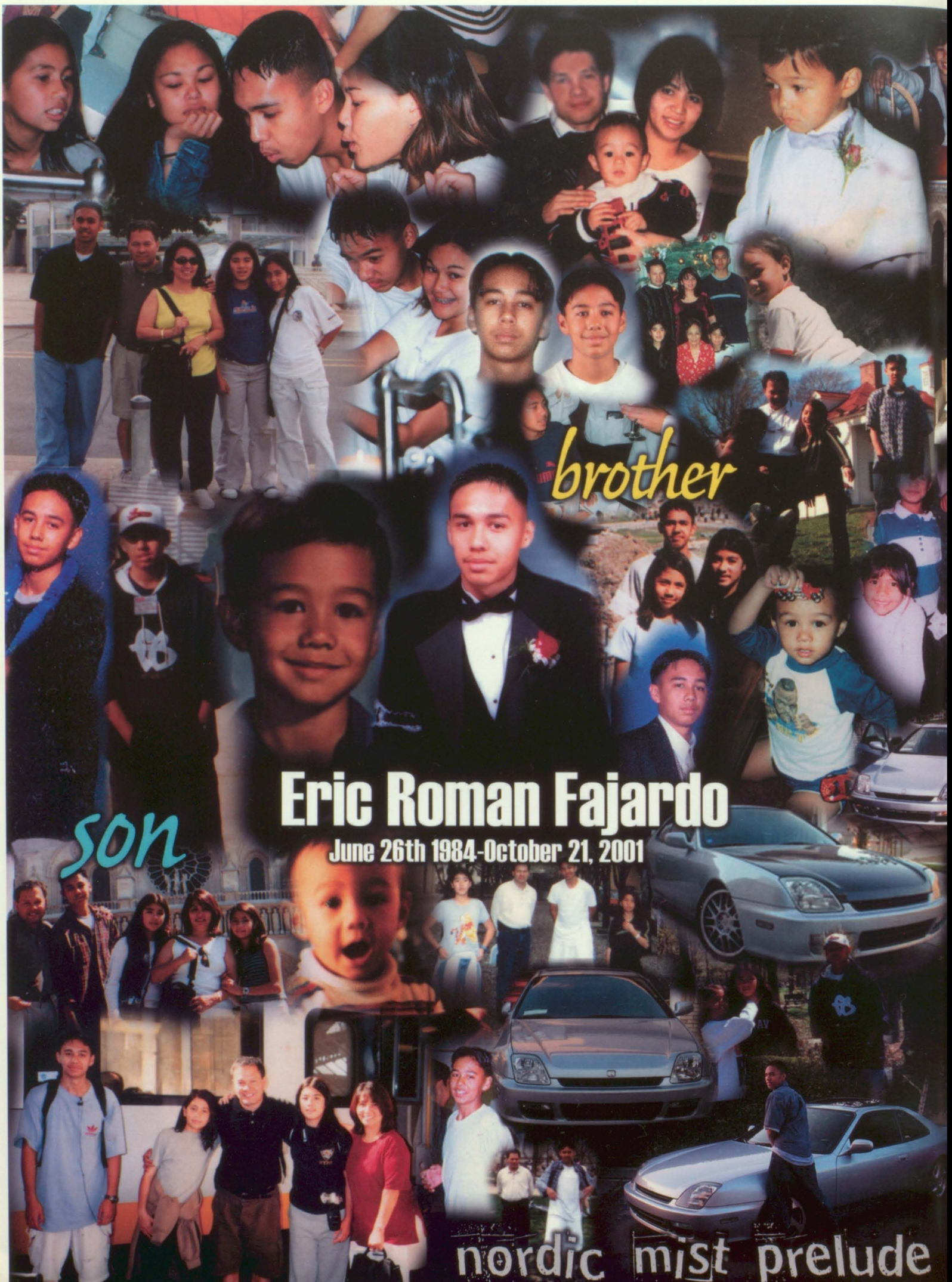
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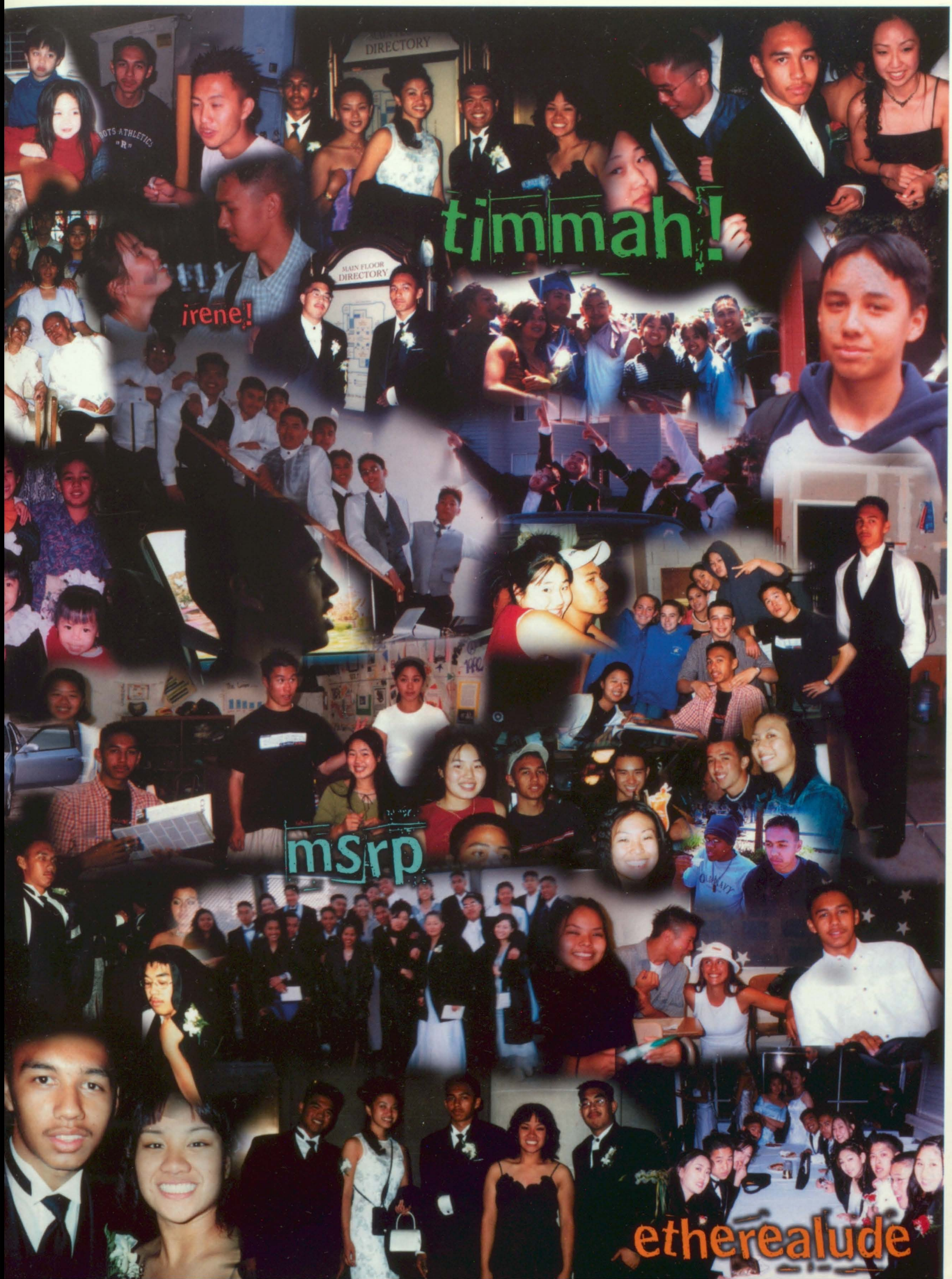
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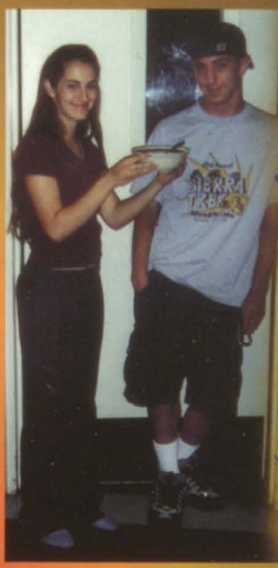
A real friend is one who walks in when the rest of the world walks out." "Most people would rather they're miserable, than risk being happy." "Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow. Don't walk behind me, I may not lead. Walk beside me and be my



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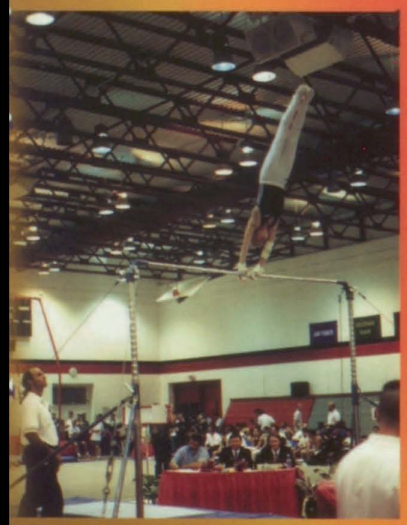

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Christmas 2000
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My Buddy
Tawny
2002
In loving memory of Philip G. Supnet
12/12/77-01/26/01
In yourbrief time here with us you've touched
Our lives and we will truly miss you... I love
You Phil, you will always be in my heart...
May the road rise up to meet you, may the wind
Be always at your back, may the sun shine warm
Upon your face, and the rainfall soft upon your
Field; and until we meet again may God hold you
In the palm of his hand. Amen
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Josh Blandino
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Shawnna Denos
Manuel Donesa
Mike Felix
Christina Fotu
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Danielle Perez
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Marissa Nichols
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Marcia Tai
Christopher Takeda
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PJ Delacruz
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Shawna Heath
David Howe
Sherry Jammu
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Nimish Patel
Matt Rose
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Jon Zmolek

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Ms. Hillier
Ms. Teri

The Family:

Thank you for making these last two years at Irvington my best years. You have made a difference in my life, and I will long remember each of you. I have been blessed to know you and call you friend. I hope that as you leave Irvington and go forward with your lives, you will look back on these years and say with me: "They were the best of times."

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Love ya,

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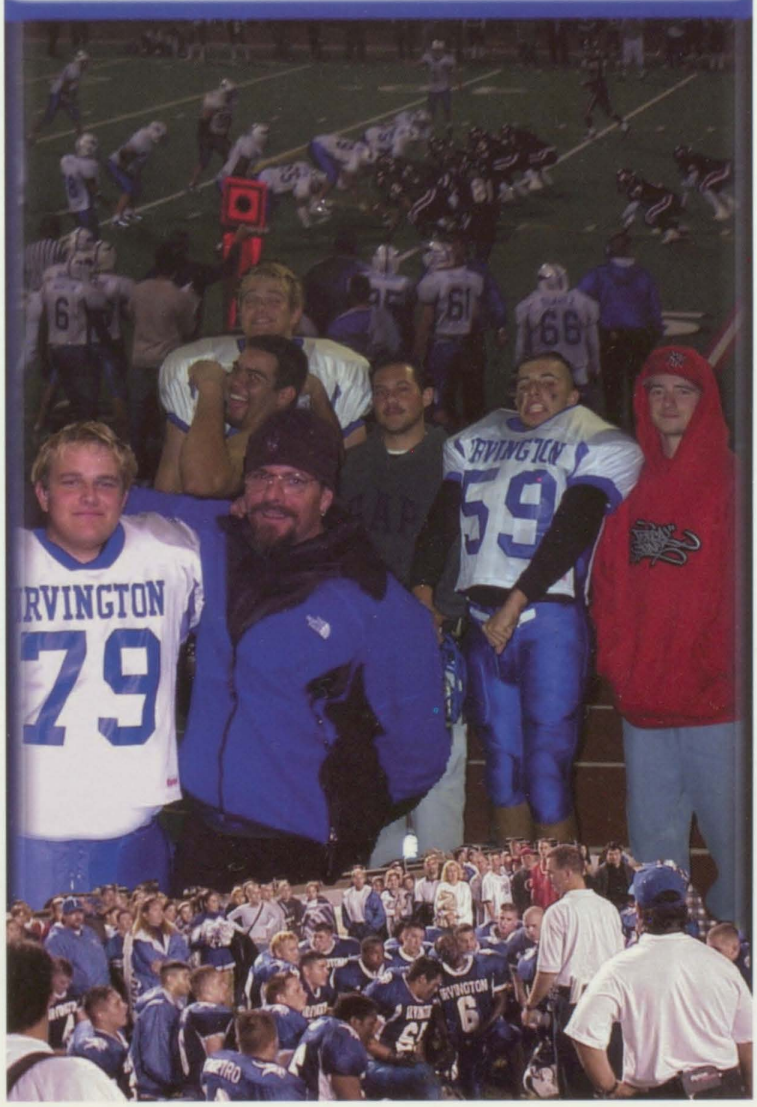

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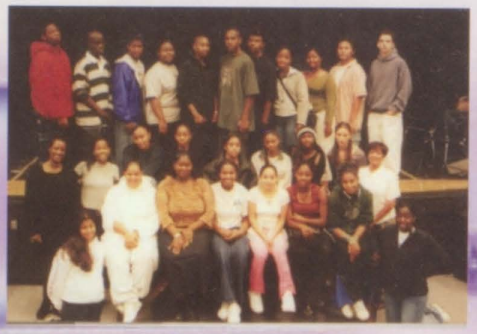

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BACK ROW: Jason Morris, Matthew Rose, Jeremy Leonard, Janaya Edwards, Kevin Patrick, Karist Moss, Hank Johnson, Saskya Russell, Lydia Leonard, Randy Ramos
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MISSION STATEMENT: To promote careers in marketing, merchandising, entrepreneurship, and management, while providing students with an understanding of and appreciation for the responsibilities of citizenship in our competitive free enterprise system.

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FIRST ROW: Virginia Huynh, Grace Shaw, Gerstein Padua
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MISSION STATEMENT: To provide service learning and community aid opportunities for all students and to promote community awareness around the school. Volunteering should be a fun learning experience.

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FRONT ROW: Diana Chen, Emory Lee
BACK ROW: Ha Pham, Rosanna Huang, Mai Dinh, Marie Tran, Dorothy Lee
MISSION STATEMENT: To Promote the motto "service before self". Serving the community is an important aspect of the club's goals as Interact collaborate with the Rotary Club to make the community a better place.

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FRONT ROW: May Mei, Brittany Lovejoy
BACK ROW: Robin Basra, Tim Cao, Tony Chan
MISSION STATEMENT: The Junior State of America introduces high school students to the drama, intrigue, and education of youth democracy.

PEER COUNSELORS

FRONT ROW: Anthony Abeyta, Patria Sigafoose, Stephanie Chen, Alex Leung, Andrew DeGregorio, Shamama Burney
SECOND ROW: Jeffrey Louie, Richard Zhang, Timothy Hagman, Clay Plamberg, Rachelle Bogue, Michael McLaughlin, Candice Schrodetzki, Casey Covey, Zach Silvernale, Matthew White, Garret Ritchie, Josh Jones

LITTLE SAIGON

FRONT ROW: Andrew Truong, Russell Rose
BACK ROW: Lilace Ronolo, Irene Yuen, Angela Joo, Linh Phan, Mary Manasan, Tina Mai, Lee Mai
MISSION STATEMENT: To learn more about the Asian culture's background and history.

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MECHA

FRONT ROW: Brenda Alvarez, Mary Segundino, Mrs. Frechou
BACK ROW: Marisela Guzman, Yolanda Mejilla, Javier Camacho, Ksenia Evdokimova, Julia Sohkatskaya, Arina Ivanova, Margarita Guzman
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STREET MACHINES

FRONT ROW: Frankie Becerra, Daniel Martinez, Uriel Gonzales, Nessa Khan, Carlos Hernandez, Ryan Morton, Johnny Daranikone
BACK ROW: Mr. Madsen, Steven Burks, Carlos Farias, Balint Adorjan, Tony Hernandez, Jerry Lopez, Shaune Crawford
MISSION STATEMENT: To promote interest in and knowledge of automobiles. To provide opportunities for social and political experiences and the development of leadership and fellowship skills.

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FRONT ROW: Brandy Bahney, Jennifer Crozier, Krystal Nzoiwu, Danielle Gruchow, Jenna Butler, Elena Hoexter, Adell Young
ROW TWO: Lauren Mello, Jamie James, Valerie Romero, Heather Harrison, Christina Haas, Crystal Green, Tanu Srivastava, Shakira Scott, Carly Green, Evelyn Lim, Jessica Hokett, Elisa Miranda, Nikki Sanders
ROW THREE: Kristen Mello, Samantha Reagor, Cindy Serene, Krupa Andalkar, Sarah McGaffey, Chris Campbell, Nick Lira, P.J. Delacruz, Rebecca Morine, Ramona Balugo, Mireya Morales, Gina Furiosi, Brittany Jenesse, Jaclyn Sewell
BACK ROW: Sarah Ranalli, Jenisse, DeMeulenaere, Ashley Manning, Jenessa How, Jessica Toro, Jason Reed, Stephen Kelleghan, Jacob Stewart, Mike Moffitt, Isaac Bolivar, Cece Willyoung, Krishelle Torres, Melissa Kleinsasser, Rima Mattar, Valerie Latchinson, Mrs. Lee Glover

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MISSION STATEMENT: The performing arts department club is an organization that welcomes anyone with an interest in the arts. They host the different events at HIS such as Star Search and the Tony Awards, and fundraise for the theatrical productions throughout the year.

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FRONT ROW: Chris Bade, David Martinez, Jessica Supnet, Rachel Polgris, Catherine Huynh, Anora Sisaketh, Erica Pedagat, Vanessa Deguzman, Jessica Leev, Mike Felix
BACK ROW: Russell Rose, Billy Wolf, Jamie Shanon, Andrew Chen, Megan Gailey, Mr. Madsen, Jonathan Sexauer, Josh Height, Chris Smith, Corey Young, Scott Torrence, Staci Lopes, Curtis Steckel, Rheanna Eislasen, Nate Berge, Ashley Duerr, Ashley Juenger, Jarrod Fullerton, Jessie Blethroad, Tabitha Harris, Jack Husting, Nathan Salvator, Paul Kim, Raymond Choi
MISSION STATEMENT: To provide an opportunity to experience the sport of skiing and/or snowboarding and the democratic process. To improve communication, critical thinking, social and personal responsibility.

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SECOND ROW: Scott Berkenkotter, Yan Min Hong, Haley Wise
BACK ROW: Steven Lai, Shanna Cooper

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FRONT ROW: Yan Min Hong, Marie Tran, Ha Pham, may Mei, Virginia Huynh, Steven Lai, Mai Dinh, Dorothy Lee
SECOND ROW: Jennifer Sewell, Anika Godhwani, Joshia Chang, Linh Luo, Jaquelyn Szeto, Leslie Szeto, Mrs. Ceresa
BACK ROW: Albert Lee, Scott Berkenkotter, Shamama Burney, Shazia Bashruddin, Zach Feng
MISSION STATEMENT: To promote the fundamentals of science, learning different aspects of it, and to enjoy science in various ways, experiments, projects and events.

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MISSION STATEMENT: We The People is a competition civics class that focuses on the United States Constitution and its application and mimics a congressional hearing. The mission is to encourage civic virtue in our participatory democracy. This may prove to be one of the defining experiences of each student's high school years.

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As another year closes, another yearbook must close too. The creation of this year's book has been challenging, frustrating, but surprisingly enjoyable despite the many problems we faced. The SAGA staff has worked together to create a legacy, something which will be a part of the Irvington community forever. The success of this book would not have been made possible without the cooperation of all those involved.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the teachers who allowed us to take students out of their classrooms repeatedly, for interviews or photographs. We understand that it was both inconvenient and irritating, but our eversmiling teachers never failed to support our cause.

We would also like to tip our hats to the clerical and support staffs for helping us locate students and obtain supplies throughout the year.

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Now, the technical jargon...

All of our 224 color pages were designed on iMac DV Specials running OS 9.2.2. Each layout was created on Adobe InDesign v. 1.5.2. We used Adobe Photoshop 5.5 for scanning and adjusting photos. Most copy was originally written on AppleWorks 6 or MS Word.

The 2002 Saga is organized into four major sections: Events, Sports, People, and Academics. Each section began with a duotone collage and a color domnant photo. For the first time in the SAGA's history, this book is in full color, an appropriate adjustment to complement the ever-changing colors of the Irvington community.

We chose 12-point Mixage for our copy font, 10 point LogicDisk as our caption font, and each section had its own unique headline font: Events, Strike; Sports, Lunchbox; Academics, Campbell; and People, Dispatch. Within the People section, we assigned a color to each class: Freshmen, green; Sophomores, yellow; Juniors, orange; and Seniors, red.

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It has been both a challenge and an incredible opportunity to present all 1200 copies of this yearbook to you, the Irvington community. As we bid you adieu for the summer, we hope that you find this book accurately reflects what Vikings experienced throughout 2001-2002. We want to thank you for your support, and we hope you'll enjoy the fruits of our labor as much as we enjoyed making it.

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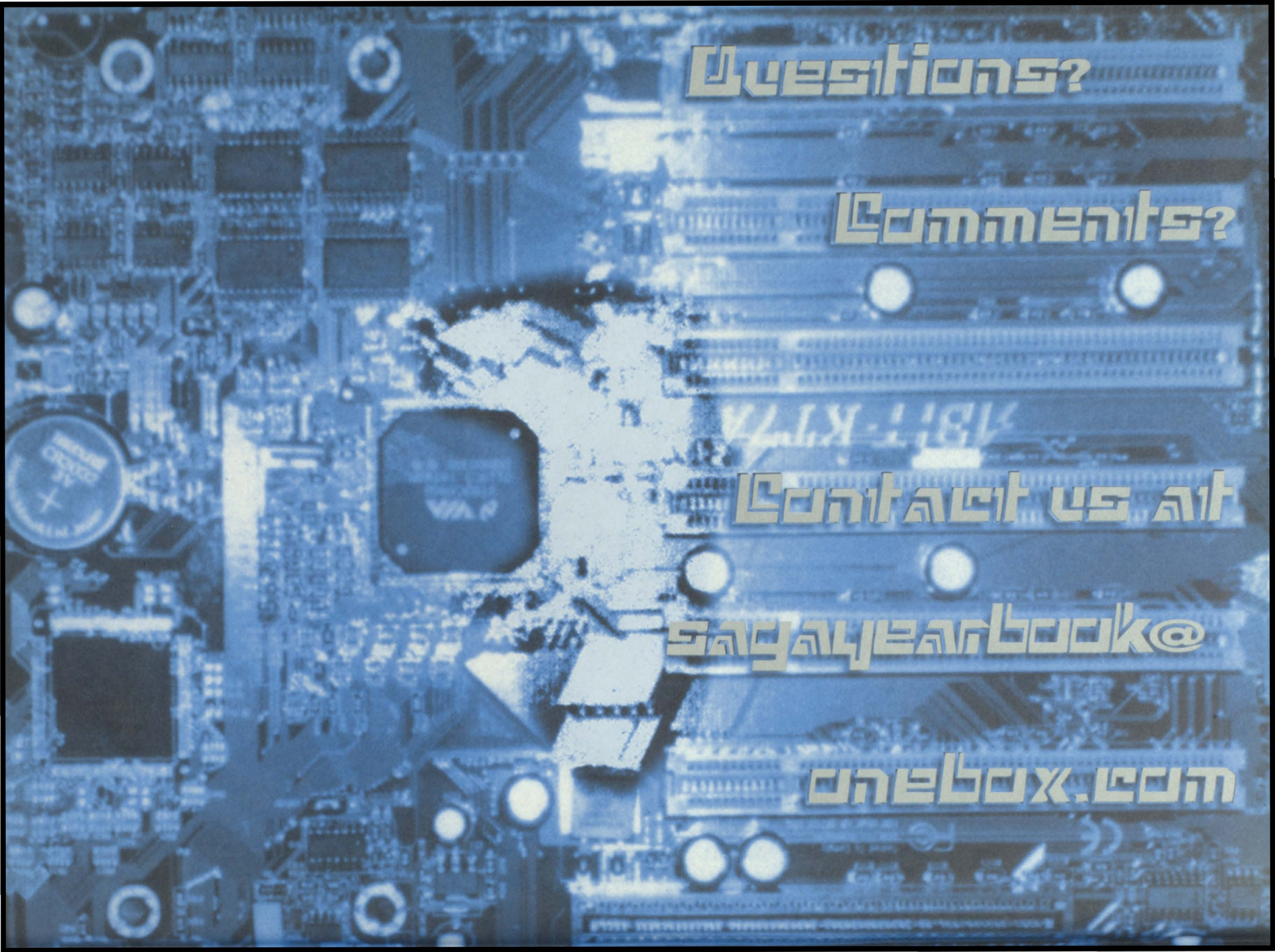
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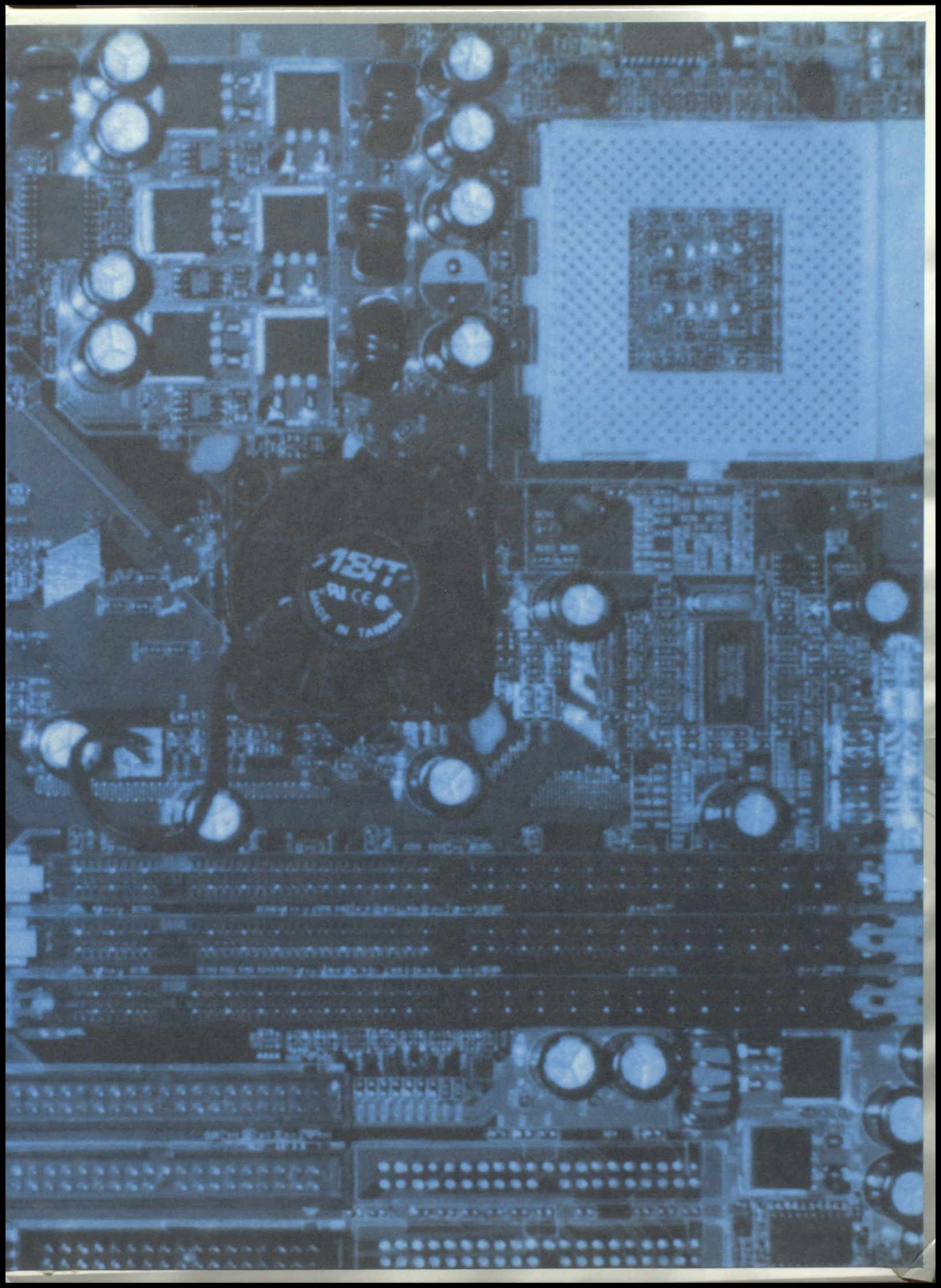
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